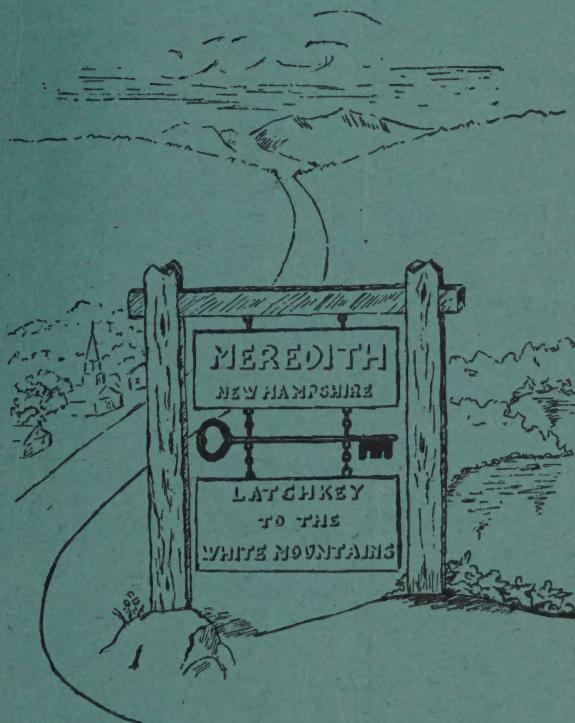


# **Annual Report of Officers**

*Town of Meredith*

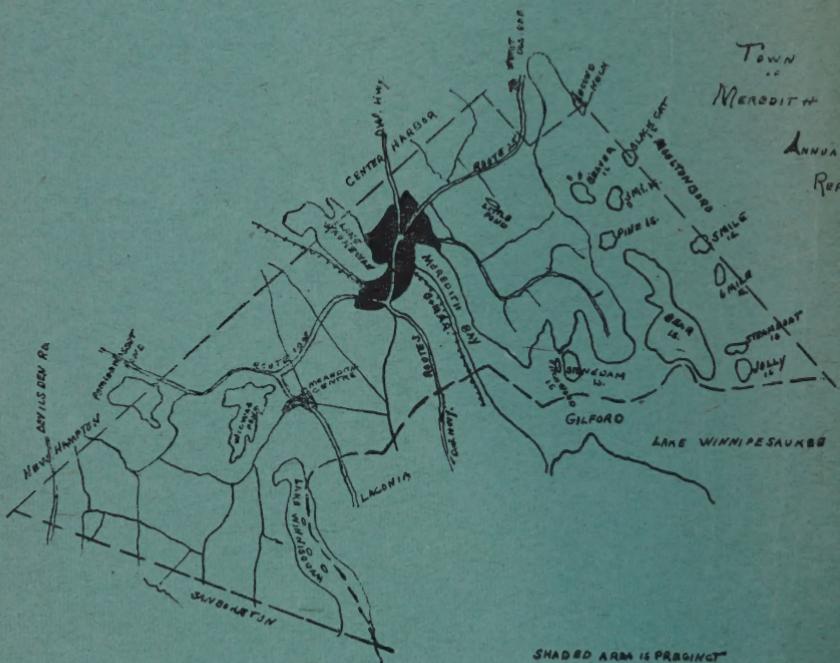


**For Fiscal Year  
Ending December 31, 1947**

Town  
Meredith

ANNUAL  
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Annual Report of Officers

TOWN OF MEREDITH

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

1947



## TOWN OF MEREDITH

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### TOWN OFFICERS

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Moderator	Arthur F. Pottle	
Town Clerk	Guy U. Horne	
Selectmen	Marshall S. Hodsdon Adrian F. Williams *	
Treasurer	Aaron F. Clark Henry T. Boothby	
Tax Collector	Richard B. Wein Howard F. Weeks	
Representatives	J. Frank Neal Horace U. Ransom	
Justice of Municipal Court	Ripley Ropes	
Health Officer	Edwin C. Mansfield	
Police Officer	Chester C. Bickford	
Trustees of Trust Funds	John F. Beede John W. Beede Earle A. Welch	
Supervisors of Check List	Shepherd Brown Marjorie Piper C. K. Plancon	
School Board	Robert Prescott Raymond Watson Jane Ambrose	Helen Pottle Harold Piper Ernest Nedea
Library Trustees	Mary Plancon Herbertha T. Stark Constance Ramsey	Clyde C. Smith Ralph F. Flather Harold Greatorex
Auditors	State Tax Commission	

\* Deceased

TOWN OF MEREDITH

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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TOWN WARRENT  
TOWN OF MEREDITH

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To the Inhabitants of the Town of Meredith, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said town on Tuesday, the 9th day of March, 1948, at nine of the clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To bring in your ballots for Town Clerk, one Selectman for three years, one Selectman for two years, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, Chief of Police, Traffic Officer, one Trustee of Trust Funds for three years, two Library Trustees for three years, and a Road Agent.
2. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of Revised Laws of New Hampshire 1942, Chapter 55, and any and all amendments thereto known as "An Act authorizing Towns to Establish the Office of Town Manager." (By petition)
3. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of 1947 Public Acts and Joint Resolutions, Chapter 236, known as "An Act relative to Transferrance of the Powers and Duties of the Collector of Taxes to the Town Manager in certain Cases." (By petition)
4. To choose all other necessary Town Officers.
5. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

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6. To hear the report of the Budget Committee and act thereon.

7. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise towards defraying expenses of the Town Library.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) for the Meredith Village Cemetery Association for care and betterment of the cemetery. (By request Meredith Village Cemetery Association)

9. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise toward the support of the Public Health Nurse.

10. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise for the benefit of the Laconia Hospital. (By request Laconia Hospital Association)

11. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate towards defraying the expense of Memorial Day and specify how same shall be expended.

12. To raise such sums of money as will be necessary for repairs of Highways and Bridges - summer maintenance.

13. To raise such sums of money as will be necessary for snow removal and sanding - winter maintenance.

14. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for General Highway Expenses.

15. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for Police protection.

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,313 for construction of Parade-Pease-Oak Hill Road, provided the State will set aside \$4,626 for this purpose.

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17. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate toward the support of the Fire Department.

18. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise toward the eradication of White Pine Blister Rust. (By request State Forester)

19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$411 which is 1/100 of 1% of the assessed valuation of the town, to The Lakes Region Association for the purpose of publicizing and promoting the natural advantages and resources of the Town, in cooperation with other towns in the Lakes Region. (By request Lakes Region Asso.)

20. To see what action the Town will take relative to the leasing of the Town Hall.

21. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the payment of Old Age Assistance and for the benefit of indigent persons chargeable to the Town of Meredith.

22. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate toward defraying the expenses of Band Concerts for the season of 1948.

23 To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate toward the improvement of road on West side of Lake Winnisquam.

24. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to widen Highland Street in Meredith Village.

25. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to improve Welch Hill on old New Hampton Road.

26 To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to improve Jennes Hill Road.

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27. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to improve Massachusetts Avenue.
28. To authorize the selectmen to acquire land and shore frontage on the westerly side of Lovejoy Sands Road for car parking area and wharf purposes; and to see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate toward the purchase and clearing of land described in this article. (By request Meredith Neck Summer Colony)
29. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to repair, improve, and enlarge the town wharf at Lovejoy Sands. (By request Meredith Neck Summer Colony)
30. To see if the Town will authorize and direct the Selectmen to have a descriptive inventory made of each parcel of real estate in the Town of Meredith, and to see how much the Town will vote to raise and appropriate toward defraying the expenses of having such inventory made. (By request Thomas H. Briggs)
31. Provided articles 2 and 3 are adopted by vote of the Town, to see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate toward the salary and expenses of the Town Manager.
32. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the Sum of Eight Hundred Dollars (\$800), to be used in conducting a ten weeks summer program of supervised recreation and sports program under the direction and supervision of a salaried Director and assistant, and that the Selectmen name a committee of three to select a supervisor and assistant and to approve all expenses incurred before being paid by the treasurer, said committee to make a report and recommendations at the next annual Town Meeting. (By petition)

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33. To see if the Town will vote to adopt and enact the provisions of Chapter III of the Revised Laws of 1942, State of New Hampshire, and any and all amendments to the same being an act entitled "Sidewalks and Sewers."

34. To see if the Town will vote to authorize and empower the selectmen, to plan, construct, and lay out a system of common sewers and sewage disposal plant in the town; and further to authorize and empower the said selectmen to engage all engineering and contracting services incident to the construction thereof, and to raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the cost of said common sewers and sewage disposal plant.

35. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands this 16th day of February, 1948.

MARSHALL S. HODSDON  
HENRY T. BOOTHBY  
AARON F. CLARK

Selectmen of Meredith

A true copy—Attest:

MARSHALL S. HODSDON  
HENRY T. BOOTHBY  
AARON F. CLARK

Selectmen of Meredith

## BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF MEREDITH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year, January 1, 1948 to December 31, 1948  
Compared with  
Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year Jan. 1, 1947 to Dec. 31, 1947

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1947	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1947	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1948
<b>From State</b>			
Interest and Dividends Tax	4,096.90	4,315.53	4,315.53
Railroad Tax	132.67	133.80	133.80
Savings Bank Tax	2,153.16	1,712.68	1,500.00
 <b>From Local Sources Except Taxes:</b>			
Business Licenses and Permits	80.00	80.00	80.00
Fines and Forfeits, Municipal Court	80.00	166.50	100.00
Interest received on Taxes and Deposits	56.00	83.85	150.00
<b>Income of Departments:</b>			
(a) Highway, including rental of equipment	200.00	21.00	4,685.38
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	3,000.00	4,500.00	

## Budget — Continued

### Amount Raised by Issue of Bonds or Notes:

Town Road Construction	19,077.75
New Equipment	20,000.00
	20,399.00

### From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:

(a) Poll Taxes—Regular @ \$2	1,900.00
(b) National Bank Stock Taxes	44.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES</b>	<b>11,742.73</b>
<b>AMT. TO BE RAISED BY PROPERTY TAXES</b>	<b>120,624.58</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>132,367.31</b>
	184,533.27
	177,772.08

### PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

Appropriations	Actual Expenditures
Previous Year 1947	Previous Year 1947

### Current Maintenance Expenses:

#### General Government:

Town Officers' Salaries	2,275.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,800.00
Election and Registration Expenses	250.00
Municipal Court Expenses	200.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Bldgs.	900.00
	404.65
	2,251.92
	2,021.53
	298.00
	227.03
	404.65
	2,500.00
	2,500.00
	450.00
	200.00
	800.00

## Budget — Continued

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### Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	1,700.00	2,594.54	1,700.00
Fire Department	1,800.00	1,906.69	2,500.00
Moth Extermination — Blister Rust	400.00	400.00	400.00

### Health:

Health Department, including hospitals	2,750.00	2,750.00	3,050.00
Vital Statistics	75.00	88.75	90.00
Street Cleaning	500.00	505.00	500.00

### Highways and Bridges:

Town Maintenance: Summer	13,000.00	15,707.52	13,000.00
Town Maintenance: Winter	10,000.00	11,841.38	12,000.00
Street Lighting	225.00	253.07	250.00
General Expenses of Highway Department	2,500.00	4,377.79	3,500.00
Town Dump	200.00	150.00	250.00
Libraries:	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,800.00

### Public Welfare:

Town Poor	1,500.00	2,567.61	2,500.00
Old Age Assistance	5,500.00	5,481.34	6,000.00

**Budget — Continued**

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<b>Patriotic Purposes:</b>			
Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations	325.00	325.00	325.00
Aid to Soldiers and their families	300.00		300.00
<b>Recreation:</b>			
Park and Playgrounds incl. band concerts	1,800.00	1,438.21	1,500.00
<b>Public Service Enterprises:</b>			
Cemeteries	500.00	500.00	500.00
Insurance	500.00	721.17	750.00
Forest Fires	150.00	150.00	150.00
<b>Unclassified:</b>			
Damages and Legal Expenses	300.00	200.00	500.00
Advertising and Regional Associations	395.00	395.00	411.00
<b>Interest:</b>			
On Temporary Loans		1,049.99	600.00
On Bonded Debt			1,127.50
<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>			
Town Construction	9,428.67	20,399.08	
State Aid Construction—Town's Share	2,223.00		2,313.00

**Budget — Continued**

Town Clerk's Fees	250.00	480.00	500.00
Annual Audit	134.89	111.40	135.00
New Buildings, Housing New Equipment	25,000.00	25,153.49	2,000.00
New Equipment			2,700.00

**Indebtedness:**

**Payment on Principal of Debt:**

(a) Bonds	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,500.00
(b) Long Term Notes	6,000.00		6,000.00

**Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:**

County Taxes	14,382.52	14,382.52	14,000.00
Payments to School Districts	62,148.00	62,148.00	65,071.50

<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	177,950.91	184,533.27	177,772.08
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SUMMARY OF INVENTORY

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Land and Buildings	\$ 3,555,835.
Growing Wood and Timber	15,300.
Electric Plants	35,550.
65 Horses	6,050.
219 Cows	18,690.
41 Other Neat Stock	2,365.
55 Sheep and Goats	550.
19 Hogs	520.
3,710 Fowl	3,710.
5 Portable Mills	4,225.
187 Boats and Launches	46,290.
Wood and Lumber	71,825.
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	5,760.
Stock in Trade	211,050.
Flowage Rights	5,833.
Mills and Machinery	190,500.
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	4,174,053.

Amount Exempt to Soldiers	65,310.
Amount to be Taxed	\$ 4,108,743.

Inventory—Exclusive of Soldiers' Exemption:

Precinct	1,694,135.
Non-resident Outside Precinct	1,610,918.
Resident Outside Precinct	830,609.
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	\$ 4,108,743.

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STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS  
AND TAXES ASSESSED

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Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 2,275.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,800.00
Election and Registration Expenses	250.00
Municipal Court Expenses	200.00
Town Hall and Buildings	900.00
Police Department	1,700.00
Fire Department	1,800.00
Moth Extermination	400.00
Health Department	2,750.00
Vital Statistics	75.00
State Aid Construction	2,223.00
Forest Fires	150.00
Town Maintenance	23,000.00
Insurance	500.00
Town Clerk's Fees	250.00
Town Construction	10,750.00
Annual Audit	134.89
Street Lighting	225.00
General Expense Highway Department	2,500.00
Street Cleaning	500.00
Public Dump	200.00
Aid to Soldiers and Families	300.00
New Equipment	5,000.00
Libraries	1,500.00
Old Age Assistance	5,500.00
Town Poor	1,500.00
Memorial Day	325.00
Parks, Playgrounds, incl. Band Concerts	1,800.00
Cemeteries	500.00
Damages and Legal Expense	300.00
Lakes Region Association	395.00
Interest	1,217.50

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Payments on Principal of Debt	4,500.00
County Tax	14,382.52
School Tax	62,148.00
Capital Reserve Fund	3,555.92
Total Town and School Appropriations	<hr/> 155,506.88

**Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits:**

Interest and Dividend Tax	4,096.90
Railroad Tax	132.67
Savings Bank Tax	2,153.16
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	3,000.00
Business Licenses and Permits	80.00
Fines, Forfeits, Mun. Court	80.00
Interest Received on Taxes	56.00
Rent of Town Property	200.00
 	<hr/> 9,798.73
 	<hr/> 145,708.10
Plus Overlay	5,931.15
 	<hr/> 151,639.25
Less: Poll Taxes	\$2,036.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	45.00
 	<hr/> 2,081.00
Amount to be raised by Property Taxes	\$149,558.25

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TAXES TO BE COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR

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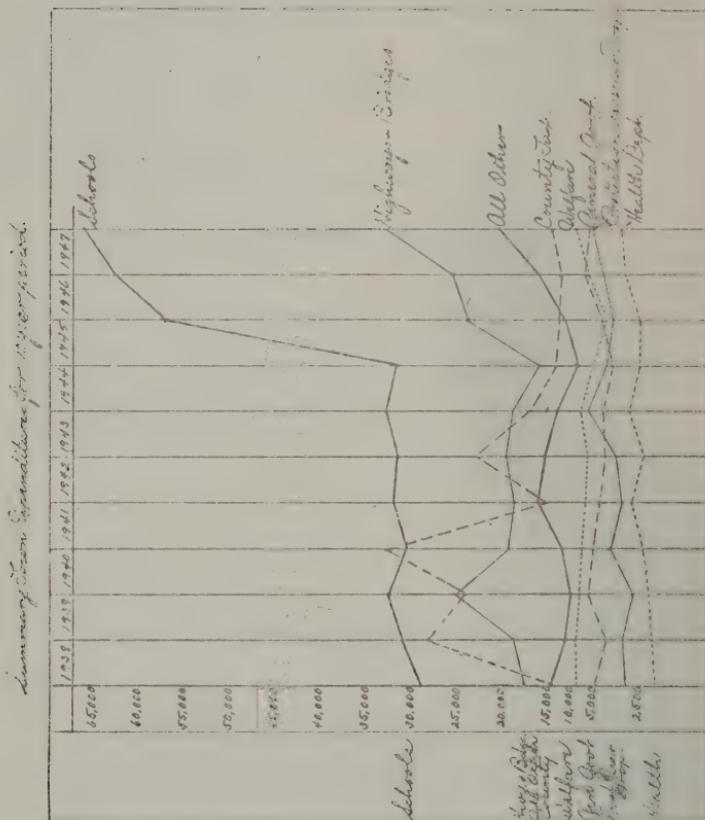
Property Taxes	\$ 149,558.25
Poll Taxes @ \$2.00	2,036.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	45.00
Precinct Taxes	<u>12,379.00</u>
	\$ 164,018.25

TAX RATE

Town	\$3.64
Precinct (.73)	\$4.37

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### Public Property

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Town Hall, land and buildings	\$10,000.
Furniture and equipment	2,000.
Library, land and buildings	30,000.
Furniture and equipment	10,000.
Fire Equipment	8,000.
Office, equipment and furniture	500.

### Highway Department

Land and buildings	\$2,500.
Walters 4-wheel drive	17,000.
Adams grader	8,000
Sidewalk plow	2,500.
Tractor, plow & Cold Patch Mixer	2,000.
Road Machine	25.
Road grader	1,000.
5000 feet of snow fence	200.
Maintainer and equipment	1,000.
2 Road sanders	200.
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Parks and Playgrounds	34,425.
175 acres forest land	10,000.
	750.

### Land acquired by tax title:

Andrew Webber Estate, Lot 31,	
Pinnacle Park	150.
L. M. Pike, woodlot Merrill Pl.	100.
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	250.

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**Meredith Village Fire District :**

Land for new station	\$3,200.
Fire Dept., land, buildings	1,000.
Equipment	25,000.
Water System	50,000.
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	\$79,200.

**School District :**

Land and buildings	64,000.
Equipment	5,200.
	69,200.
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	\$ 254,325.

## TOWN OF MEREDITH

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### Comparative Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1947

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Title of Account	Estimated	Actual	Excess	Deficit
Interest and Dividend Tax	\$4,096.90	\$4,315.53	\$218.63	
Savings Bank Tax	2,153.16	1,712.68		\$440.48
Railroad Tax	152.67	133.80	1.13	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	3,000.00	4,685.38	1,685.38	
Business Licenses and Permits	80.00	80.00		
Fines, forfeits—Municipal Court	80.00	166.50	86.50	
Rent of Town Property	200.00	21.00		179.00
Interest received on taxes	56.00	83.85	27.85	
Sale and lease of Town Land		1,234.99	1,234.99	
Deficit of taxes committed under Budgetary requirements	68.77			68.77
Added Taxes during 1947		538.55	538.55	
Premium on bonds & notes issued		136.46	136.46	
	<b>\$9,867.50</b>	<b>13,108.74</b>	<b>3,929.49</b>	<b>688.25</b>

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### BUDGET SUMMARY

Total Actual Revenues	\$13,108.74
Total Estimated Revenues	9,867.50

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Net Revenue Surplus	\$3,241.24
Total Overdraft of Appropriations	\$8,388.28
Total unexp'nd balances of appropriations	7,474.44
Net overdraft of Appropriations	913.84
Net Budget Surplus	<b>\$2,327.40</b>

**Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures**

**Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1947**

TITLE OF ACCOUNT	Liabilities Forw'dd From 1946	Appropriations From 1946	Receipts & Reimbursements Avail.	Total Amount Available	Expenditures	Forwarded Assets to 1947 Liab.	Balances O'draft	Unexpended
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 2,275.00	\$ 250.00		\$ 2,275.00	\$ 2,251.92		\$ 23.08	\$ 230.00
Town Clerk's Fees	1,800.00	73.00		1,873.00	2,021.53		148.53	
Town Officers' Expenses	250.00			250.00	298.00		48.00	
Election & Registration Expenses	200.00			200.00	227.03		27.03	
Municipal Court	900.00			900.00	404.65		495.35	
Town Hall & Other Buildings	134.89			134.89	111.40		23.49	
Annual Audit								
Police Department	1,700.00			1,700.00	2,594.54		894.54	
Fire Depart. & Forest Fires	1,950.00	1,031.66		3,681.66	3,788.35		106.66	
Blistier Rust Control	400.00			400.00	400.00			
Bounties					37.00			
Health Department	2,750.00			2,750.00	2,878.00		128.00	
Town Dump	200.00			200.00	150.00		50.00	
Vital Statistics	75.00			75.00	88.75		13.75	
Town Maintenance	23,000.00	1,348.05		24,348.05	27,548.99		3,200.85	
Street Lighting	225.00			225.00	223.07		28.07	
Street Cleaning	500.00			500.00	505.00		5.00	
General Expense Highway Dept.	2,500.00			2,500.00	4,377.79		1,877.79	
Libraries	1,500.00			1,500.00	1,500.00			
Old Age Assistance	5,500.00	632.63		6,132.63	6,113.97		18.66	
Town Poor	1,500.00	266.45		1,766.45	2,834.06		1,067.61	
Memorial Day	325.00			325.00	325.00			
Soldiers' Aid		300.00			300.00			

Parks & Playgrounds	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,438.21	361.79
Cemeteries	500.00	500.00	500.00	100.00
Tax Map	100.00	100.00	100.00	
Damage and Legal Expenses	300.00	300.00	300.00	100.00
Lakes Region Association	395.00	395.00	395.00	
Insurance	500.00	500.00	721.17	221.17
State Aid Construction	5,333.88*	2,223.00	7,556.88	7,761.43
Town Road Construction	5,077.75	10,750.00	29,827.75	20,399.08
New Highway Equipment	5,000.00	20,000.00	25,000.00	153.48
Temporary Loans		60,000.00	60,000.00	
Bonded Debt	4,500.00	33,000.00	37,500.00	4,500.00
Interest on Debt	1,217.50		1,217.50	1,049.99
Special Poll Tax to State	3.00		3.00	3.00
County Taxes				
Precinct Taxes				
School Dist. Appropriation	24,241.08	14,382.52	14,382.52	
Dog Licenses to School Dist.	360.45	12,367.19	12,367.19	
Less: Damage by Dogs				
Overlay (Abatements & Refunds)				
1936 Net Budget Deficit	3,555.32	4,415.09	4,415.09	2,740.43
	\$35,816.16	\$17,239.11	\$130,888.79	\$8,355.07
				\$7,886.23
				\$8,355.07
				\$74,062.93

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**Balance Sheet**

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<b>Assets</b>	<b>December 31, 1947</b>
Cash on Hand—Treasurer's Account	\$21,732.59
Certificate of Deposit Proceeds	
of Fire Station Bonds	33,120.63
Road Agents Account	550.65
Capital Reserve Fund	3,000.00
State Highway Construction Funds	
on Deposit in State Treasury	2,790.83
Bounties due from State	37.00
Unredeemed Taxes	493.96
Uncollected Taxes	19,209.26
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Net Debt	\$80,934.92
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<b>Total Assets and Net Debt</b>	<b>\$149,343.76</b>
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<b>Liabilities</b>	
Special Poll Taxes Due State—Collected	\$3.00
State Aid Construction Funds:	
In State Treasury	2,790.83
School District Appropriation	20,108.00
Dog Licenses Due School District	442.85
Capital Reserve Fund	3,000.00
<b>Unexpended Balances:</b>	
Unexpended Proceeds of Fire Station Bonds	33,000.00
<b>Town Construction:</b>	
Proceeds of Long Term Notes	14,000.00
Appropriation	6,399.08
<b>Tax Map:</b>	
Bonds Outstanding	100.00
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<b>Long Term Notes:</b>	
Highway Equipment	35,500.00
Town Construction	20,000.00
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<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$149,343.76</b>

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RECONCILIATION OF INCREASE IN NET DEBT  
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1947

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Net Debt —— December 31, 1947	\$68,803.84
Net Debt —— December 31, 1946	8,698.18
Increase in Net Debt	\$60,105.66
<b>Reconciliation</b>	

**Increases in Debt:**

Decreases in Town Clerk's Cash	3.00
Write off of 1946 Excess Payment on Precinct Tax	20.56

Increase in Long Term Debt

Fire Station Bonds	\$33,000.
Town Const. Notes	14,000.
Hwy. Equip. Notes	20,000.

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67,000.00

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\$ 67,023.56

**Decreases in Debt**

Net Budget Surplus (Exhibit C)	2,327.40
Increase in Road Agent's Cash	90.20
Reduction in Bonded Debt	4,500.00
Tax Collector's Excess Remittance to Town Treasurer	.30

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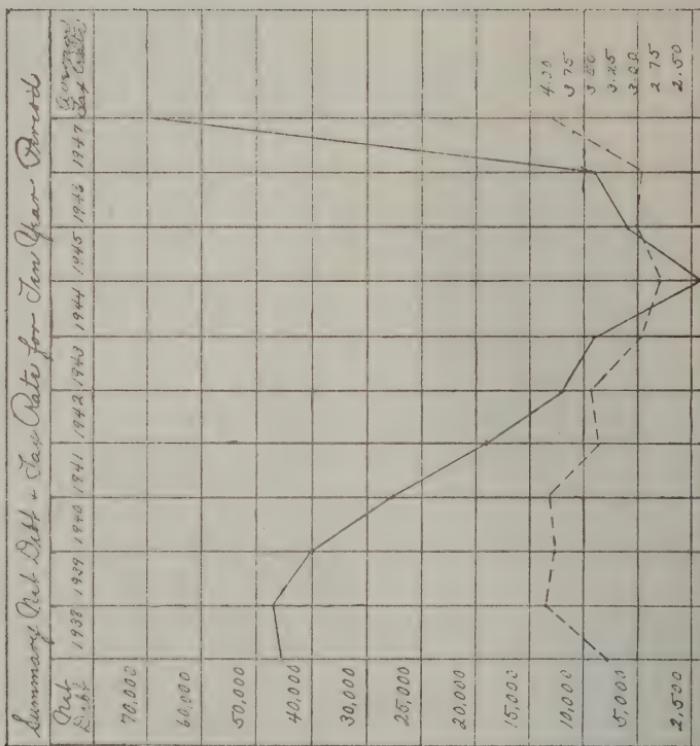
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Increase in Net Debt                    \$ 60,105.66

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Statement of Indebtedness. Showing Annual Maturities December 31, 1947

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REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

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For Year Ending December 31, 1947

Receipts

Automobile Permits:

1075 Issued	\$4,685.38
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Dog Licenses:

Males 163	\$326.00
Females 25	125.00
Kennels 5	86.00
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	\$537.00
Bowling alley fees	\$80.00
Total Receipts	—————
	\$5,302.38

Payments

To Town Treasurer	\$5,302.38
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Respectfully submitted,

GUY U. HORNE, Town Clerk

TOWN OF MEREDITH

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SUMMARY OF WARRANT  
Levy of 1947

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—DR—

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$ 160,327.61
Poll Taxes	2,038.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	53.00
Total Warrant	\$ 162,418.61

Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	469.90
Poll Taxes	30.00
Interest Collected	8.45
Overpayments	1.30
Total Debits	\$ 162,928.26

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Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$140,519.80
Poll Taxes	1,748.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	54.00
Interest Collected	8.45
Errors and Abatements	1,388.75

Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List:

Property Taxes	18,933.26
Poll Taxes	276.00
Total Credits	\$ 162,928.26

TOWN OF MEREDITH

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SUMMARY OF WARRANT  
Levy of 1946

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—DR—

Uncollected Taxes as of January 1, 1947:

Property Taxes	\$ 3,540.19
Poll Taxes	160.00
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	3,700.19

Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	5.85
Poll Taxes	38.00
Interest Collected During Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1947	63.47
Total Debits	\$ 3,807.51

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Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal

Year Ended December 31, 1947:

Property Taxes	3,319.24
Poll Taxes	180.00
Interest Collected During Year	63.47
Abatements Made During Year	244.80
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Total Debits	\$ 3,807.51

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1947

	Tax Sale on Account of Levy of		
	1946	1945	1944
Taxes sold to Town during Current Fiscal Year	\$676.98		
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes			
January 1, 1947	2.73	13.16	52.38
Interest Collected after Sale		.53	8.82
Total Debits	\$679.76	13.49	61.20
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Remittances to Treasurer	194.88	4.41	61.20
Abatements	—0—	—0—	—0—
Deeded to Town	—0—	—0—	—0—
Unredeemed Taxes - Close of Year	484.88	9.08	
Total Credits	679.76	13.49	61.20

TOWN OF MEREDITH

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SUMMARY

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Remittances for 1947	\$ 142,321.80
Remittances for 1946	3,499.24
Redemptions from Tax Sales	248.56
Interest Collected	83.85
 Total Remittances	 \$ 146,153.45

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD F. WEEKS

Collector

TOWN OF MEREDITH

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TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

For Year Ending December 31, 1947

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January 1, 1947, Cash on Hand	\$29,814.04
Received from Selectmen	104,690.07
Received from Tax Collector	146,153.45
Received from Town Clerk	5,302.38
Received from Fire Warden	304.55
Payments by Order of Selectmen	264,531.90
Cash on Hand December 31, 1947	21,732.59
	\$286,264.49
	\$286,264.49

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD B. WEIN

Treasurer

## TOWN OF MEREDITH

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### Classified Summary of Receipts and Expenditures Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1947

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#### Receipts

##### From Local Taxes:

###### Current Year:

Property Taxes	\$140,519.80
Poll Taxes	1,748.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	54.00
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	\$ 142,321.80

###### Previous Year:

Property Taxes	3,319.24
Poll Taxes	180.00
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Interest Collected	3,499.24
	83.85
Tax Sales Redeemed	248.56

##### From State of New Hampshire:

Interest and Dividend Tax	4,315.53
Railroad Tax	133.80
Savings Bank Tax	1,712.68
Fighting Forest Fires	374.16
Bounties	42.50
Old Age Assistance	632.63
Highway Department	325.00
Sale of Town Property	500.00
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	8,036.30

##### From Local Sources Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses	537.00
Motor Vehicle Permits	4,685.38
Business Licenses and Permits	80.00
Fines, Forfeits - Municipal Court	166.50
Rent of Town Hall	21.00

## TOWN OF MEREDITH

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### Credits to Town Appropriations:

Town Maintenance	1,023.05
Town Poor	266.45
Fire Department	657.50
Town Officers' Expense	73.00
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Sale and Lease of Town Land	734.99
Long Term Notes and Bonds Issued	67,000.00
Premium on Notes and Bonds	136.46
Temporary Loans	60,000.00
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Total Receipts From All Sources	\$ 289,571.08
Cash on Hand December 31, 1946	29,814.04
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Grand Total	\$ 319,385.12

### Expenditures:

#### General Government:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$2,251.92
Town Clerk's Fees	480.00
Town Officers' Expenses	2,021.53
Election and Registration	298.00
Municipal Court	227.03
Town Hall and other Buildings	404.65
Tax Commission Audit	1,111.40
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\$5,794.53

#### Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	\$2,594.54
Fire Department	1,988.35
Blister Rust	400.00
Bounties	37.00
Damage by Dogs	94.15
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\$5,114.04

## TOWN OF MEREDITH

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### Health:

Health Department	\$2,878.00
Vital Statistics	88.75
Town Dump	150.00
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	\$3,116.75

### Highways and Bridges:

#### Town Maintenance:

Summer Account	\$15,707.52	
Winter Account	11,841.38	27,548.90
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Street Lighting	253.07	
Street Cleaning	505.00	
Highway Insurance	721.17	
General Expense of Highways	4,877.79	
	33,405.93	

Libraries	1,500.00
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### Public Welfare:

Old Age Assistance	6,113.97
Town Poor	2,834.06
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	8,948.03

### Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day	325.00
Parks and Playgrounds	1,438.21
Cemeteries	500.00
Lakes Region Association	395.00

### Unclassified:

Damages and Legal Expenses	\$200.00
Taxes Bought by Town	676.98
Refunds	20.80
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	\$897.78

TOWN OF MEREDITH

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**New Construction & Permanent Improvements:**

State Aid Construction	7,761.43
Town Road Construction	9,428.67
New Highway Equipment	25,153.49
	<hr/> \$42,343.59

**Indebtedness:**

Bonded Debt	4,500.00
Temporary Loans	60,000.00
Interest	1,049.99
	<hr/> \$65,549.99

**Other Governmental Divisions:**

County Taxes	14,382.52
Precinct Taxes	14,179.00

**School District:**

Appropriation	
1946-47 Account	\$24,241.08
Special	3,040.00
1947-48 Account	39,000.00
Dog Licenses	
1946 Account	360.45
	<hr/> 66,641.53
	<hr/> 95,203.05

Total Expenditures for all Purposes	\$264,531.90
Cash on Hand — December 31, 1947	* 54,853.22
Grand Total	\$319,385.12

\*General Fund                            21,732.59

Certificate of Deposit a-c procceds  
 Fire Station Bonds                        33,120.63  


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 \$54,853.22

## TOWN OF MEREDITH

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### Detailed Statement of Expenditures

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#### General Government

##### Town Officers' Salaries:

Guy U. Horne	\$200.00
Adrian Williams	76.92
Aaron Clark	300.00
Richard B. Wein	125.00
Henry T. Boothby	400.00
Marshall S. Hodsdon	500.00
Howard F. Weeks	650.00
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	\$2,251.92

Town Clerk's Fees	480.00
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##### Town Officers' Expenses:

Printing Town Reports, notices	687.55
Office supplies and equipment	126.83
Officers' bonds and insurance	180.87
Selectmen's expenses	509.25
Belknap County Reg. of Deeds	91.55
Clerical, typing, copying, etc.	221.37
Postage	116.00
Meredith Trust Co. safe Deposit	23.75
Telephone	46.21
Miscellaneous	18.15
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	2,021.53

##### Election and Registration

Printing ballots, etc.	137.60
Supervisor's services	118.00
Ballot clerks', moderator	26.00
Meals, clerks and moderator	9.40
Janitor and miscellaneous	7.00
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	298.00

## TOWN OF MEREDITH

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### Municipal Court:

Salary of Judge	200.00
Court expenses	27.03
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	227.03

### Town Hall:

Insurance	111.50
Lighting	32.96
Janitor services	92.25
Rent of Annex	62.00
Repairs	99.94
Supplies	6.00
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	404.65

Tax Commission Audit	111.40
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	\$5,794.53

### Protection of Persons and Property:

#### Police:

Police work and traffic duty	\$2,433.35
Printing notices	10.50
Painting streets and signs	47.13
Telephone	78.56
Police light	18.00
Lodging, etc.	7.00
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	\$2,594.54

#### Fire:

Appropriation Fire District	\$1,500.00
Appro. fire pump and equipment	700.00
Napsack pumps	22.50
Forest Fires	1,265.85
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	3,489.35

## TOWN OF MEREDITH

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Blister Rust	400.00
Bounties	37.00
Damage by Dogs	94.15

### Health:

Meredith Public Health Nursing Association	2,000.00
Laconia Hospital	500.00
Am. Red Cross, life guard	200.00
Salary Health Officer	50.00
Town dump expenses	278.00
Vital Statistics	88.75
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	3,116.75
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	\$9,730.79

### Highways and Bridges:

#### Summer Maintenance:

Payroll	11,322.45
Asphalt and cold patch	3,427.81
Gasoline and oil	356.65
Gravel and sand	125.32
Pipe for Culverts	314.35
Wharf and bridge repairs	161.04
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	15,707.52

#### Winter Maintenance:

Payroll	10,224.97
Equipment hired	574.35
Gasoline and oil	730.81
Salt for highway	215.85
Sand	95.40
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	11,841.38

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Street Lighting	253.07
Street Cleaning	505.00
Highway Insurance	721.17
<b>General Expense:</b>	
Payroll	771.31
Parts and repairs to equipment	2,837.17
Use of Road Agent's truck, for freight & express	287.38
Wharf lights, tool house, etc.	87.58
Miscellaneous supplies	394.35
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	4,377.79
<hr/> <b>Libraries</b>	
	\$33,405.93
	1,500.00
<b>Public Welfare:</b>	
Old Age Assistance:	6,113.97
<b>Town Poor:</b>	
Medical payments	274.39
Hospital	348.77
Board, care, N. H. Orph. Home	1,122.00
Board, care, Belknap Co. Home	391.50
<b>Direct Relief:</b>	
Food	\$555.83
Clothing	21.20
Rent	26.00
Heat & light	58.37
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Overseers Expenses	661.40
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	36.00
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	2,834.06
<hr/> <b>Patriotic Purposes:</b>	
Memorial Day	325.00

TOWN OF MEREDITH

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**Parks and Playgrounds:**

Trimming trees	135.00
Spraying trees	30.00
Payroll —Leavitt Park	122.83
Clough Park	276.30
Prescott Park	190.75
Repairs, property, materials and labor	99.96
Supplies and miscellaneous	83.37
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	938.21
Band Concerts	500.00
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	1,438.21
Lakes Region Association	395.00
Cemeteries	500.00
<b>Unclassified:</b>	
Damage and legal expenses	200.00
Taxes bought by Town	676.98
Refunds	20.80
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	897.78

**New Construction & Permanent Improvements:**

State Aid Construction—Pease Road	7,761.43
<b>Town Road Construction:</b>	
Packard Hill	3,028.50
Robinson Hill	606.00
Tucker Hill	143.50
Housing Project	802.60
West side Winnisquam	810.25
Highland Street	302.85
Follett or Thompson Road	3,218.85
Veasey Road	516.12
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	9,428.67

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New Highway Equipment:

Adams Grader	8,597.54
Walter Truck and plow	16,210.80
Sander	180.00
Cab for sidewalk plow	165.15
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	25,153.49
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	\$42,343.59

Indebtedness:

Bonded Debt	4,500.00
Temporary loans	60,000.00
Interest	1,049.99
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	65,549.99

Other Governmental Divisions:

County Taxes	\$14,382.52
Precinct Taxes	12,679.00
School District	66,641.53
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Total Expenditures	\$93,703.05
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	\$264,531.90

TOWN OF MEREDITH

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Summary of Trust Fund Accounts  
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1947

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**Principal:**

	Cemetery Funds	Library Funds	School Funds	Capital Reserve Funds
Balance Dec. 31, 1946	\$10,849.72	\$15,080.62	\$1,028.00	\$6,000.00
New Funds Added During 1947	2,300.00			
	<u>13,149.72</u>	<u>\$15,080.62</u>	<u>\$1,028.00</u>	<u>\$6,000.00</u>
Principal Withdrawn During 1947	(a) 250.00		(b) 742.20	
Balance Dec. 31, 1947	<u>\$13,149.72</u>	<u>\$14,830.62</u>	<u>\$1,028.00</u>	<u>\$5,257.80</u>

**Income:**

Unexpended Balance	\$1,472.02	\$337.83	\$98.96	\$60.30
Income Received During Year	266.38	687.14	22.64	105.67
	<u>\$1,738.40</u>	<u>\$1,024.97</u>	<u>\$121.60</u>	<u>165.97</u>
Income Withdrawn During Year	152.29	685.60		60.30
Balance-Dec. 31. 1947	<u>\$1,586.11</u>	<u>\$339.37</u>	<u>\$121.60</u>	<u>\$105.67</u>

**Principal**

Cemetery Funds	\$13,149.72
Library Funds	14,830.62
School Funds	1,028.00

**Capital Reserve Funds:**

Town of Meredith	\$3,000.00
Fire Precinct	2,257.80
	<u>5,257.80</u>
	<u>\$34,266.14</u>

**Income Unexpended:**

Cemetery Funds	\$1,586.11
Library Funds	339.37
School Funds	121.60
Capital Reserve Funds	105.67
	<u>2,152.75</u>

Total Principal & Income on Deposit - Dec. 31, 1947 \$36,418.89

## TOWN OF MEREDITH

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### NOTES:

(a) Represents principal of Dudley Leavitt Fund previously included in Trust Funds in error as the Donor had originally intended the amount to be a gift to the Library. The Trustees of Trust Funds transferred this \$250.00 Fund to the Library which department has treated it as Receipts during the current period.

(b) Payment to Meredith Village Fire District to provide for payment to Ralph F. Flather of \$802.50 representing partial billing of Architect Fees in connection with proposed Fire Station building.

TOWN OF MEREDITH

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DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING  
STATE TAX COMMISSION

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Concord, New Hampshire

February 2, 1948

Board of Selectmen  
Meredith, New Hampshire

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is the report of the annual audit and examination of the accounts of the Town of Meredith covering the fiscal year ended December 31, 1947, which was made by this Division in accordance with the vote of the Town. Exhibits as hereafter listed are included as part of the report.

**Scope of Audit:** Included in the audit and examination were the accounts and records of the Board of Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Road Agent, Library Treasurer and Trustees of Trust Funds.

**Financial Statements:** Balance Sheet as of December 31, 1947 shows the net debt increased by \$59,710.66 during the year.

An analysis of the change in financial condition of the Town during the year is made in Exhibit A-1, with the factors which affected the increase in Net Debt indicated therein.

Comparative statements of appropriations and expenditures, estimated and actual revenues for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1947, are presented in Exhibits B and C. As indicated by the budget summary (Exhibit C), a net revenue surplus of \$3,241.24, less a net overdraft of appropriation of \$518.84, resulted in a net budget surplus of \$2,722.40.

A summary of receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1947, made up in accordance with the uniform classification of accounts is included in Exhibit D. Proof of the Treasurer's balance as of December 31, 1947, is indicated in Exhibit D-1.

## TOWN OF MEREDITH

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**Audit Procedure:** The accounts and records of all town officials charged with the custody, receipt and disbursement of public funds were examined and audited. Vouchers and cancelled checks were compared with supporting invoices and payrolls as well as entries in the book of record. Receipts were checked by source in so far as possible and totals of receipts and expenditures verified. Book balances were verified by comparison with reconciled bank balances made from statements obtained from depositary banks.

**General Comments:** The accounts and records of all Town Officials were found in good condition and the accounting procedure conformed to the uniform system prescribed by this Division.

We extend our thanks to the officials of the Town of Meredith for their assistance during the course of the audit.

Very truly yours,

Harold G. Fowler, Director

Division of Municipal Accounting  
State Tax Commission

Alan R. Matthews, Auditor

Kenneth L. Cowan, Accountant

**Certificate of Audit:** This is to certify that we have audited the accounts and records of the Town of Meredith for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1947, and found them to be in good order. In our opinion the Exhibits included herewith present a correct statement of the financial condition of the Town of Meredith and the results of operations for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1947.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold G. Fowler, Director

Division of Municipal Accounting  
State Tax Commission

Alan R. Matthews, Auditor

Kenneth L. Cowan, Accountant

TOWN OF MEREDITH

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MEREDITH PUBLIC LIBRARY  
Treasurer's Report

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General Expense Fund

Balance in fund December 31, 1946 \$68.30

Received During Year 1947:

Town appropriation	\$1,500.00
Fines	55.98
Gift from Griggs-Wyatt Unit No. 33, A. L., for Memorial Books	15.00
Gift for books, Memory George Page	5.35

Income from:

Beede Fund	605.00
Beede Fund	2.86
Rollins Fund	60.30
Swain Fund	9.25
Leavitt Fund	5.02
Roberts Fund	4.02
Bixby Fund	2.01
	2,264.79
Total received during year 1947	\$2,333.09

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Paid Out During Year 1947:

Salary of Librarian	\$772.50
Salary of Janitor	242.00
Fuel	357.38
Light and Power	80.10
New Books	455.36
Magazine Subscriptions	32.15
Precinct Tax	10.00

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Supplies	45.35
Insurance	72.75
Maintenance	44.38
Book Binding	31.22
Clock Maintenance	35.00
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Miscellaneous	22.32
	<b>2,200.47</b>
Balance in fund December 31, 1947	\$132.62

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### Leavitt Legacy Fund

Use unrestricted, but set aside by the Trustees for Leavitt Memorial uses.

#### Received up to and including December 31, 1947:

Legacy from Alice Leavitt, 1941	\$200.
Legacy from Marion Leavitt, 1942	200.
Legacy from Dudley Leavitt, 1947	250.
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#### Paid out up to and including December 31, 1947:

Display Cabinet for Dudley Leavitt books and papers	70.00
Set Encyclopedia Britannica	152.88
Set Encyclopedia Britannica Jr.	63.62
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Balance in fund December 31, 1947	\$363.50
Balance in General Expense Fund and Leavitt Legacy Fund	<b>\$496.12</b>

Respectfully submitted,

Clyde C. Smith, Treasurer

TOWN OF MEREDITH

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REPORT OF PRESCOTT PARK FUND

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January 1, 1947, Balance on Hand	\$141.75
Interest to date	1.41
Balance on hand December 31, 1947 as per Meredith Village Savings Bank Account No. 8406	
	\$143.16

Respectfully submitted,

Sedley Bartlett, Clerk  
Park Commission

TOWN OF MEREDITH

**ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER**  
**MEREDITH PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING ASS'N.**

Cash on hand January 1, 1947 \$ 227.26

### **Receipts:**

Town of Meredith	\$ 2,000.00
Meredith School District	400.00
Memberships	136.00
Contributions	.88.00
Collections by Nurse	179.05
John Hancock Life Ins. Co.	.75
	2,813.80
Total Cash Receipts	\$3,041.06

#### **Payments:**

Eleanor R. Sherwood	462.70
Lillie Belle Jacobs	1,222.85
White Mountain Power Co.	16.50
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	51.84
U. S. Collector Internal Revenue	218.05
Meredith Steam Laundry	14.69
H. S. Rust Realty Co.	285.00
Prescott's Pharmacy	6.78
John F. Harvey	2.15
Boston University (for book)	4.50
Nathan Smith — janitor service	1.50
Blaisdell Agency	49.38
Guy Horne — Town Clerk	2.31
Virgil White — Commissioner	13.30
Clarence Lyle	3.70
H. G. Berquest Co.	1.95
Meredith News Press	14.50
Meredith Trust Co.	1.85

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Randall's Service	148.66
Paige & Valliere	170.52
Moody's Motor Sales	5.95
Depot Square Auto Supply	4.16
Pynn's Garage	333.15
 Total Payments	 <hr/>
	\$3,035.99
Balance of Cash On Hand January 7, 1948	5.07

Respectfully submitted,  
Earle A. Welch, Treasurer

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I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing account of the Treasurer of the Meredith Public Health Nursing Association and find it properly cast and well vouched.

Clyde C. Smith, Auditor

## TOWN OF MEREDITH

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### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DISTRICT NURSE For The Fiscal Year Ended December 31 1947

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#### Home, office and school calls as follows:

Welfare	42
Office	74
Home Consultation	70
School	231
Home School	84
Medical	457
Surgical	136
Prenatal	1
Post Natal	7
Newborn	20
Infants	16
Deliveries	2
Total	1140

21 patients were taken to the Laconia Clinic for treatment.

5 patients were taken to Laconia Hospital for X-rays.

15 patients were taken to the Cancer Clinic in Laconia.

37 patients were taken to Laconia Hospital for X-ray treatment.

11 adults were taken to the Dartmouth Eye Institute in Hanover.

2 patients were taken to the T. B. Clinic in Laconia

1 adult and three children were taken to Dr. Turley's office.

3 patients were taken to Dr. Marshall's office.

8 adults and 1 infant were taken to Laconia Hospital for admission.

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4 adults were taken via ambulance.

1 patient was taken to the State Hospital in Concord.

1 patient was taken to a convalescent home in Franklin.

Clothing, shoes and blankets were given to the Association by Mrs. Cordelia Berquest, Mrs. Henry Stark, Mrs. Clinton Roper, Mr. James Kitching, Miss Beryl McNeil, Mrs. Phillip Lowe and Mr. Joseph Kennedy.

Mrs. Harold Piper gave a high chair to the Association. A bed cradle was given by Mr. Carlton Howe and a drying rack by Mrs. Beatrice Macdonald.

The Association is very appreciative of the two hospital beds which were given in the past. Both beds are in use at the present time.

I have derived a great deal of pleasure from working for the people of Meredith during the past year. Everyone has been very cooperative. I particularly wish to thank the various organizations in town for their willing and able assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

Lillie Belle Jacobs, R. N.

## TOWN OF MEREDITH

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### 1947 MEMORIAL DAY REPORT

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#### Receipts:

Town Appropriation	325.00
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#### Expenditures:

Band	\$80.00
Wreaths	30.00
Dinners	120.00
Flags	40.11
Car and Gas (4)	30.00
Cemetery Work	25.00
Deficit of 1946	1.19
 Total Expenditures	 \$326.30

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Respectfully submitted,  
Henry Stark, Financial Officer

Griggs-Wyatt Post, No. 33, American Legion

## TOWN OF MEREDITH

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### FOREST FIRE SERVICE

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#### Forest Fire Problem Serious

The year 1947 was one of the worst periods of drouth and forest fire occurrence in eastern United State's history. Lack of water ruined crops, lowered water levels and dried up brooks everywhere. Three months of deficient rainfall and abnormally high temperatures resulted in many fires which were mostly well controlled and kept within bounds. Only the high winds beginning on October 23rd caused a few fires to escape beyond immediate control. These few fires resulted in burning some 15,000 acres and the loss of 63 or more buildings in four New Hampshire towns.

All October fires were costly. They burned deeply in the ground and required day and night patrol of large crews of men until the rains came late in October. Towns which escaped from serious fires might easily have been in the midst of the most serious conflagrations we had.

Governor Dale closed the woods effective at midnight of October 15th. With the blow-up of October 23rd, a second proclamation closed all back roads and authorized towns to inaugurate patrol. The effect of this was to cut down subsequent fires for the rest of the dry period.

Local fire warden forces performed an admirable job to hold the more than 200 fires that occurred during this October period. Many men were taxed to the utmost as the emergency continued. To them and all those who did their work, the people of New Hampshire owe a debt of gratitude. The state forest fire control agency based on local town wardens and town crews wherever adequately equipped rose to the occasion and met the test in whatever town their services were needed.

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It is now time to take stock of our fire fighting facilities for the season ahead and to make them adequate where necessary. To this end town fire plans and training programs for wardens, deputies and other key men in each district are being arranged or in progress. If equipment and tools are insufficient properly to equip the available man power in each community with the right tools for the job, they should be provided for at once. The yearly addition of fire tools to the town supply will generally need to built up. The state sells tools to the towns and shares one-half their cost. Good equipment is important and can help greatly to keep both damage and fire costs at a minimum.

For many years we have requested our wardens not to issue burning permits except on rainy days. This regulation will be in effect again this year as it is one of the best means of assuring such fires from getting out of control. Nine out of every ten fires can be prevented, 98 per cent of all fires being due to human carelessness. Be sure to get a permit for any fire in or near a woodland when the ground is free from snow. Be sure your fires are always out before you leave them. Help us in getting the travelling public to keep from throwing out lighted matches or cigarettes. Be careful of all fires in or near wodland.

George F. Richardson, Jr. District Chief

Albert Sprague, Forest Fire Warden,  
Meredith



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# School Report

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TOWN OF MEREDITH

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MEREDITH SCHOOL WARRANT 1948  
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Meredith qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 5th day of March 1948, at 8:00 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose two Members of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the District.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

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7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this Warrant.
8. To see if the District will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the District, as determined by the School Board in its annual report.
9. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred sixty-five dollars (\$765.) to obtain additional insurance coverage on buildings owned by the school district.
10. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-nine hundred dollars (\$2900.) to employ an additional teacher in the primary grades at the Lang street school and to provide suitable temporary quarters for one class from this school.
11. To see if the district will vote to authorize the school board to sell or otherwise dispose of the building adjoining the Lang street school playground and formerly used for a nursery school.
12. (By request) To see if the school district will vote to authorize the school board to sell the Meredith Neck school house.
13. To see if the district will authorize the appointment of a special committee consisting of two members of the school board appointed by the board; one member of the board of selectmen, appointed by them, and two other legal voters

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of the district appointed by the moderator to consider the feasibility of forming a cooperative secondary school district and to report to the district at its next annual meeting its findings, including building requirements, program of studies, capital investment, operational costs of such a district and such other matter as may be deemed material.

14. To transact any other buisness that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands at said Meredith this 17th day of February 1948.

Raymond L. Watson  
R. S. Prescott  
H. B. Piper  
School Board of Meredith, N. H.

A true copy of Warrent—Attest:

Raymond L. Watson  
R. S. Prescott  
H. B. Piper  
School Board of Meredith, N. H.

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### DISTRICT OFFICERS

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Moderator	Dr. Arthur F. Pottle
Clerk	Herbertha Stark
School Board	
Jane Ambrose — 1948	Ernest Nedeau — 1948
Harold Piper — 1949	Helen P. Pottle — 1949
Robert Prescott — 1950	Raymond Watson — 1950
Treasurer	Marion W. Chase
Superintendent	Almon W. Bushnell
School Physician	Raymond J. Turley, M.D.
School Nurse	Lillie Belle Jacobs, R.N.
Truant Officer	Chester C. Bickford

### SCHOOL CALENDAR

1948 — 1949

Schools Open	Schools Close
September 8, 1948	(16 weeks) December 23, 1948
January 3, 1949	(7 weeks) February 18, 1949
February 28, 1949	(8 weeks) April 22, 1949
May 2, 1949	(7 weeks) June 17, 1949

### HOLIDAYS

October 12, 1948	Columbus Day
November 25, 26, 1948	Thanksgiving
May 30, 1949	Memorial Day

Total number of school days according to above calendar is 183. The minimum allowed by State Board regulations is 180. This means that days lost due to bad weather or other causes must not exceed 3. Any days missed, in excess of 3, must be made up, probably by lengthening the school term after June 17.

Time taken during the year for institutes or attendance by teachers at educational meetings, not to exceed 8 days, need not be made up.

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FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1947

Receipts

Income From Local Taxation	\$46,684.00
From sources other than Taxation:	
Federal Aid	343.92
National School Lunch	2,954.71
	3,298.63
Dog Licenses	457.53
Elementary School Tuition	191.19
High School Tuition	4,670.00
Sale of School houses	680.00
Rent Bixby House	390.00
Other Receipts	53.22
	6,441.94
Total Receipts from all Sources	56,424.57
Cash on hand at beginning of School Year, July 1, 1946	2,184.69
	58,609.26

Expenditures

Administration:

Salaries of District Officers:

W. S. Grad	\$5.00
Marion Chase	50.00
Helen Pottle	25.00
E. H. Nedreau	25.00
R. L. Watson	100.00
B. L. Macdonald	5.00
	\$210.00

Superintendent's Excess Salary	\$802.00
Truant Officer	50.00

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### Expenses of Administration:

Stamped envelopes	45.00
State Tax Comm. Audit	24.07
H. S. Horne Co.	2.11
Meredith Trust Co.	3.60
F. M. Chase, clerk salary	194.00
A. W. Bushnell	137.65
Carl Larson	4.25
R. N. Piper	6.92
Burrows Adding Machine Co.	3.35
Blaisdell Agency bond	12.00
Ashland School District	71.41
New England Tel. & Tel.	141.19
Bank service charges	15.76
Sale School houses	13.60
	674.61

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### Instruction:

#### Teacher's Salaries, High School:

Collector Internal Revenue	1,234.00
Blue Cross, withheld from salaries	121.97
Frederick Delaney	3,014.30
Carleton Howe	1,569.34
J. E. Humiston	1,991.07
E. Vancore	1,408.80
J. Pignone	2,377.60
A. Aucoin	1,768.20
L. Collins	456.04
G. Perry	222.80
E. Thompson	1,365.22
C. Ruth	428.06
M. Donahue	864.00
M. Arnold	280.05
D. Musgrove	236.42
A. Pierce	39.40
B. Woodward	10.00
S. Miner	6.00
P. Bushnell	12.00
Teacher's Retirement, withheld from salaries	171.35
	17,743.77

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### Teachers' Salaries, Elementary

Collector Internal Revenue	881.80
Blue Cross, w'held from salaries	101.18
E. Thomas	1,430.08
E. Bickford	1,199.92
G. Brooks	1,315.26
R. Humiston	1,406.42
H. Lincoln	1,389.82
J. Ray	1,317.96
E. Rock	1,317.42
D. Musgrove	531.58
A. Pierce	80.80
B. Woodward	46.00
I. Leavitt	13.00
M. Arnold	15.45
Teachers' Retirement withheld from salaries	197.63
	11,652.97

### Text Books, High School:

Lyons & Carnahan	46.46
Moore & Cottrell	57.80
Southwestern Publishing Co.	46.03
American Book Co.	24.95
Appleton & Century Co.	8.79
Houghton & Mifflin	6.48
J. B. Lippincott	7.41
The MacMillan Co.	116.38
Prentice Hall	16.19
Scott Forrsman	4.15
Union Leader Pub. Co.	7.12
G. H. Berry	5.54
American Museum Nat. History	4.00
Harper Bros.	1.80
Owen Publishing Co.	2.00
Rand McNally	19.39
Wheeler Publishing Co.	.94
Noble & Noble	1.03
Carl Fischer	23.03
World Report	4.00
American Book Co.	1.67
University of Florida	1.00
	407.43

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### Text Books, Elementary:

American Book Co.	30.96
Houghton & Mifflin	2.13
World Book Co.	122.48
Allyson & Bacon	1.21
American Education Press	54.00
Ginn & Co.	15.84
Highlights for Children, Inc.	3.00
Lyons & Carnahan	19.42
Charles E. Merrill Co.	35.82
Junior Scholastics	46.35
Twentieth Century Fund	.79
E. M. Hale	29.55
D. C. Heath Co.	9.00
Iroquois Publishing Co.	27.11
The MacMillan Co.	36.80
Scott Forrsman Co.	15.18
C. C. Berchard Co.	8.64
Row Peterson	9.92
Hinds, Hayden & Eldridge	1.27
The Home Garden	3.00
Noble & Noble	1.70
Science Research Co.	.83
Handy File Music Co.	16.00
Ashland School District	2.19
	<b>512.79</b>

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### Scholars' Supplies, High School

Oscar Lougee	3.75
E. E. Babb Co.	209.11
F. M. Weeks & Sons	292.28
Lougee-Robinson	5.19
Phillip Morris	16.50
Visual Education Service	2.63
Walberg & Ange	2.91
J. W. Brine	45.74
Martin & Batchelder	14.85
Ribbon & Carbon Products	7.00
F. R. Prescott	290.06
American Book Co.	5.05
Cambosco Scientific Co.	57.88

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Central Scientific Co.	69.14
Denoyer Geppert	15.17
J. L. Hammett Co.	6.37
Laconia Hardware	20.10
Horace Partridge Co.	18.69
Phillips Paper Co.	20.47
A. F. Pottle	4.20
University of N. H.	8.00
Acorn Publishing Co.	2.04
Paine Publishing Co.	1.70
Prescott's Pharmacy	4.44
Starr Paper Fastener Co.	8.08
Lull & Hartford	29.30
Manchester Trade School	1.50
World Book Co.	4.27
Carl Fischer	2.54
Nat. Assn., Sec. School Principals	2.97
C. N. Roberts & Son	.75
South Western Publishing Co.	9.23
F. J. Delaney	2.11
Beckley Cardy Co.	2.25
Cascade Paper Co.	146.51
Gaylord Bros.	5.95
World Report	4.00
Cooperative Test Service	15.67
Pynn's Garage	1.10
C. C. Rogers, Inc.	3.75
D. Van Nostrand Co.	1.80
John Weston Co.	2.59
	<b>1,373.60</b>

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### Scholars' Supplies, Elementary

E. E. Babb Co.	227.23
Beckley Cardy Co.	3.65
Gaylord Bros. Inc.	7.85
Row Peterson	30.21
Junior Scholastics	27.90
J. L. Hammett	2.61
Ashland School District	37.50
Camberco Scientific Co.	9.90
National Board Examiners	2.61
	<b>350.26</b>

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### Other Expenses of Instruction, High School:

S. Grad	1.60
R. H. Llewellyn Co.	1.85
News Map of the Week	16.50
School Service Co.	20.59
Dept. Educ. State of Virginia	1.00
National Education Assn.	2.70
Prentice Hall	5.72
University of Nebraska	62.20
Walberg & Ange	5.00
Webster Publishing Co.	5.37
Meredith News	28.00
Cooperative Test Service	2.55
Nat. Assn. School Principals	5.15
Readers Digest	1.00
Junior Scholastics	3.00
R. P. Smart	34.00
Boston Music Co.	1.31
F. J. Delaney	2.13
Rice Film Co.	10.36
Jack C. Sawyer	1.36
Scholastic Book Shop	4.50
Harrison Fiske	4.50
World Book Co.	2.89
Acme Mill Ends Textile Co.	58.11
M. N. Perkins Co.	35.08
Nat. Assn. School Principals	1.50
University of N. H.	2.22
Vesco Film Library	21.37
	342.56

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### Other Expenses Instruction, Elementary:

E. Thomas	26.20
Highlights for Children	3.00
Vesco Film Library	1.24
Kenworthy Education Service	2.65
National Board Examiners	2.61
Ashland School District	14.52
Maher' Book Store	3.08
	53.30

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### **Operation and Maintenance of School Plant:**

#### **Janitor Service, High School:**

Walter W. Foster	876.84
George Foster	191.00
Charles Jones	330.00
J. F. Turley	30.00
H. Duncklee	35.77
Collector Internal Revenue	61.95
Blue Cross	15.75
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	1,526.31

#### **Janitor Service, Elementary**

Walter Foster	998.85
George Foster	191.00
Charles Jones	110.00
Thomas Stafford	125.00
W. Corliss	15.00
Collector Internal Revenue	75.85
Blue Cross	29.25
H. Duncklee	35.76
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	1,580.71

#### **Fuel, High School:**

New England Coal & Coke	423.29
B. & M. R. R.	351.91
R. H. Smith Co.	70.00
Wilkins Coal Co.	54.33
W. A. Brooks	21.00
Harry's Amoco Service	451.99
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	1,491.62

#### **Fuel, Elementary:**

New England Coal & Coke	205.27
Alfred White	75.00
Marvin Blake	20.00
B. & M. R. R.	284.83
R. H. Smith Co.	52.50
Wilkins Coal Co.	62.19
R. N. Piper	7.21
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	924.68

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Water, Lights & Janitor Supplies, High School:	
Masurey Young	25.00
White Mt. Power Co.	424.54
E. E. Babb Co.	135.64
M. F. Bragdon Co.	60.36
Laconia Hardware	5.04
R. H. Bass Co.	22.36
C. K. Plancon	3.00
World Book Co.	12.86
Meredith Fire District	10.00
Meredith Grain Co.	10.00
C. H. Taylor	10.00
West Disinfecting Co.	18.24
C. B. Dolge Co.	25.04
Northern Plumbing & Heating	2.25
	764.33

### Water, Lights and Janitor Supplies, Elementary

Maurey Young	34.43
White Mt. Power Co.	249.08
E. E. Babb	78.43
M. F. Bragdon Co.	43.39
R. H. Bass Co.	52.31
C. K. Plancon	7.00
Meredith Fire District	5.00
J. I. Holcomb Co.	33.75
C. B. Dolge Co.	25.00
Martin & Batchelder	1.95
Meredith Paint & Paper Co.	2.25
Paige & Valliere	.35
	537.94

### Minor Repairs and Expenses, High School:

O. C. Lund	2.50
F. R. Prescott	75.22
F. M. Weeks & Sons	12.26
R. W. Lawson	93.58
D. W. Keyser	147.87
Profile Electric Co.	34.97

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Beckley Cardy Co.	1.42
Crowe Tree Service	25.00
Ivory System	26.75
Northern Plumbing & Heating	298.18
W. R. Canney	111.55
H. Duncklee	82.34
Pynn's Garage	3.00
C. H. Cram	60.00
J. P. Gibson Co.	56.00
Meredith Grain Co.	5.00
A. H. Rice Co.	58.00
West Disinfecting Co.	85.89
Laconia Hardware	8.45
Singer Sewing Machine	47.84
R. L. Plaisted	121.82
J. W. Brine	8.46
Reid & Goodwin	5.00
John St. Clair	4.00
S. L. Capewell	2.80
	<u>1,333.63</u>

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### Minor Repair and Expenses, Elementary :

F. R. Prescott	44.88
F. M. Weeks & Sons	20.00
R. W. Lawson	302.15
Trusdon Laboratories	42.58
Stella Mudgett	8.80
F. E. Pickering	8.80
Crowe Tree Service	32.00
W. R. Canney	123.95
H. Duncklee	18.63
Burrows Adding Machine	3.00
H. G. Berquest	27.65
C. H. Cram	27.50
Lord & Goodwin	3.80
Masurey Young Co.	32.94
Meredith Laundry	4.64
West Disinfecting Co.	40.05
R. L. Plaisted	49.61
	<u>886.74</u>

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### Transportation Puplis:

B. Sprague	2,723.50
E. Moulton	980.00
E. H. Nedeau	760.00
F. Edwards	380.00
H. Currier	84.80
H. Ferrin	72.00
	5,000.30

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### Payment Tuition,

Sanbornton School District:	11.00	11.00
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### Health Supervision, High School:

Ashland School District	10.11
Meredith Public Health	100.00

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### Health Supervision, Elementary:

Meredith Public Health Assn.	100.00	100.00
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### Other Special Activities, High School:

Jones Express	8.49
L. D. Harvey	71.89
Meredith News	19.25
Thompson Winchester Co.	31.08
Collector Internal Revenue	62.90
Frances Jones	667.00
E. Vancore	8.00

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### Other Special Activities, Elementary:

Lougee-Robinson	3.15
J. B. Varick	9.90
Jones Express	8.49
C. N. Roberts & Son	227.61
H. Nedeau	780.00

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N. H. Tax Comm. Per Capita Tax, 710.00 710.00

Fixed Charges,

Teachers' Retirement, N. H. Teachers  
Retirement Board 517.20

Insurance:

Guy U. Horne	83.50	
B. Blaisdell Agency	283.90	884.60

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**Debt and Interest:**

Principal of Debt:

Meredith Village Savings Bank 1,000.00

Interest on Debt:

Meredith Village Savings Bank	43.33	1,043.33
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Alterations, Old Buildings:

Northern Plumbing & Heating	414.56	
R. L. Plaisted	257.00	671.56

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New Equipment:

Gledhill Bros.	21.05	
Martin & Batchelder	27.16	
R. L. Smith Co.	492.27	
W. R. Canney	27.00	
B. & M. R. R.	101.97	
Lougee-Robinson	2.65	
Cascade Paper Co.	385.35	1,057.45

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Bixby Property, Repairs:			
W. R. Canney	172.51		
Meredith Fire District	5.00	177.51	
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TOTAL PAYMENTS for all purposes			57,227.97
 Cash on Hand at End of School Year			
June 30, 1947		1,381.29	
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Grand Total			\$58,609.26
 Respectfully submitted,			
Robert Prescott	Raymond Watson		
Helen Pottle	Harold Piper		
Jane Ambrose	Ernest Nedeau		
	School Board		

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REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

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Cash on hand June 30, 1946                            \$2,184.69

Receipts:

Selectmen, appropriation	\$45,781.08
Sale of property	686.24
Federal Reimbursements	343.92
Dog Tax	360.45
Hot Lunch Program	2,402.29
All other Sources	5,850.59
	56,424.57
Total amount available for fiscal year	\$58,609.26
Less School Orders Paid	56,863.91
Balance on hand June 30, 1947	\$1,745.35

Respectfully submitted,

Marion W. Chase  
District Treasurer

TOWN OF MEREDITH

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SCHOOL BOARD'S BUDGET  
For Year 1948 — 1949

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**Administration:**

Salaries of District Officers	\$335.00
Superintendent's Salary	869.00
Per Capita Tax	746.00
Other Expenses of Administration	1,400.00

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**Instruction:**

Teachers' Salaries	44,500.00
Text Books	1,500.00
Scholars' Supplies	2,000.00
Other Expenses of Instruction	700.00

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**Operation and Maintenance:**

Janitor Service	3,250.00
Fuel	2,000.00
Water, Lights, Janitor's Supplies	1,500.00
Repairs and Expenses	3,200.00

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**Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities:**

Medical Inspection	625.00
Transportation	6,990.00
Other Special Activities	2,050.00

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**Fixed Charges:**

Insurance	384.00
Retirement	1,502.50
Alterations	1,600.00
New Equipment	1,650.00

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Total Estimated Payments	\$76,801.50
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### Estimated Income Aside From Taxation:

Dog Tax	\$500.00
State Aid	7,000.00
Rent	530.00
Federal Aid (home economics)	300.00
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Tuition	3,500.00
	11,730.00
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Amount to be raised by taxation	65,071.50
Amount raised in 1947	\$62,148.00

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**TABLE OF ATTENDANCE STATISTICS**

**School Year Ending June 30, 1947**

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School and Teacher	Number half days school in session	Total enrollment	Number of pupils (average membership)	Percent of Attendance	Attendance per pupil	Pupils not absent or tardy entire year
Senior High School:						
	344	122	108.81	94.45	2.25	9
Junior High School:						
Grade 8	344	25	23.77	94.91	1.34	0
Grade 7	344	40	32.59	95.70	0.36	3
Frederick J. Delaney						
Joseph M. Pignone						
Charlotte P. Ruth						
Albert Aucoin						
Carleton Howe						
John E. Humiston						
Everdean Vancore						
Elizabeth Thompson						
Lang Street School						
Grade 6	342	35	30.88	93.23	0.06	5
Ruth Humiston						
Grade 5	342	34	29.99	93.43	0.16	0
Elizabeth Bickford						
Grade 4	342	31	28.33	93.64	0.10	2
Hope Lincoln						

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Grade 3	342	37	34.13	93.29	0.00	2
Grace M. Brooks						
Grade 2	342	35	30.27	92.66	0.09	0
Eleanor Rock						
Grade 1	342	35	29.43	87.12	0.06	0
Joyce A. Ray						
Meredith Center	342	19	18.85	88.27	0.14	0
Ethlyn M. Thomas						
All Meredith Schools						
	342	413	258.24	92.42	1.35	21

## TOWN OF MEREDITH

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### PRESENT SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

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### TEACHING STAFF — 1947-1948

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Schools	Enrollment	Teacher
High School		
Grade		
12	26	Frederick J. Delaney, Prin.
11	24	Albert Aucoin
10	28	Everdean Vancore
9	37	Alfred Rudge
8	35	John E. Humiston
7	30	Ruth Humiston
		Enid Randall
		Eleanor Jackson
		Leland Sollins
Lang Street		
6	32	Elizabeth Thompson
5	34	Una McKee
4	36	Hope Lincoln
3	34	Elizabeth Bickford
2	28	Eleanor Rock
1	39	Nina Taylor
		Robert A. Bragg, Prin.
Meredith Center 19		
Supervisor of Music		
		Ethlyn M. Thomas
		Donald E. Musgrove

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### HONOR ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

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#### Not Absent or Tardy Entire Year, 1946-1947

Elaine Baker	Jean Leavitt	Patricia Ruel
June Clark	Hayden Weeks	David Brown
Forrest Lund	Howard Eryou	David Kimball
Barbara Morris	Carol Hart	Dexter Weare

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#### TUITION PUPILS, FALL TERM 1947

Residence	High School	Elementary
Center Harbor	9	
Holderness	6	
Moultonboro	21	
New Hampton	3	4

## TOWN OF MEREDITH

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### Annual School Report Of The School Nurse

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Seventy complete physicals were done in the high school.

All pupils in the schools were weighed, measured, and had their vision tested.

Dr. Pottle held weekly dental clinics for the children in the 4th, 5th and 6th grades. Most of the children had their dental work completed.

Seven children were taken to the Dartmouth Eye Institute in Hanover.

Four children were transported to Dr. Pottle's office for dental work.

One child was taken to Mr. Hammond in Laconia to have glasses frames fixed.

One child was taken to the Mental Hygiene Clinic in Laconia.

There have been many cases of pediculosis in the schools. The root of this problem lies in the chronic cases. These are the children who are constantly being reinfected through the home. It does no good to clean the childrens' heads if the parents' heads are not also cleaned. There has been little cooperation in this respect.

There are many children absent from school in the Spring due to Whooping Cough.

I wish to thank Mr. Bushnell, the School Board, the teachers and the parents for their fine cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,  
L. B. Jacobs, R. N.

## TOWN OF MEREDITH

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### REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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#### School Buildings

Our 1947 allotment of State Aid under the new equalization law has made it possible to do some work on our school buildings which has been needed for a long time. The exterior of the Lang Street school has been painted and the playground has a modern fence. We have also re-decorated three of the class rooms as well as the lunch room there. Oil heat has been provided for the school at Meredith Center, also an oil burner for the gymnasium and a new heater for the superintendent's office. The gymnasium also required a roofing job. The action of the frost on the front steps of the high school has made it necessary to do an extensive repair job there. Flourescent lights have been provided for the new commercial room at the high school.

#### Elementary Program

In line with recommendations made a year ago, considerable attention has been given to the problem of individual differences in the large classes at Lang Street school. We have employed as principal of this building Robert Bragg whose assignment is to find out what individuals need special attention and guidance, to organize various groups to provide what individual attention they need, and to develop a program of physical education. A full time principal also has time to see that the teachers are provided with the best materials available under the budget, help them discover problems and give active support in making decisions, planning activities, scheduling programs and relieving them of numerous time-consuming jobs such as collecting money for school lunches etc.

Children enter school eager to learn. It is our aim to see that this zest is not lost. Through encouragement, praise, guidance, scientific study, and remedial

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aid we help the children to adjust themselves to modern education. At Lang Street the needs of the individual are our guides. We have found that the pupils who do not grasp new lessons readily have tended to spend much time just sitting and waiting for the teacher to come and help them. They seem ready and willing to work while the teacher is there but soon form habits of idleness when left to work by themselves. These habits, after they have developed for several years, take much patient effort to break.

This year a great deal of thought has gone into the attempt to have parents better understand the school. First we have attempted to have the school operate efficiently and effectively to give every child security and success, believing that this makes a good school in the mind of the child and his parents. Personal conferences with the parents of many pupils have been held as an important part of our program. Last but not least is the organization of a parent-teacher association which through cooperation will do much to improve the opportunities of the children.

Something should be done about the Lang Street playground. The odor from the stream is pretty difficult to stand and it is not healthy for the children. The play area is much too small for two hundred youngsters. If the valley could be filled in, this would do away with the odor and double the size of the playground.

Our first grade this year numbers 39 children which, as I pointed out before, is too many for a teacher to handle effectively. It is recommended that an extra teacher for the primary grades be provided next year and a suitable temporary room, outside the school building, be secured to take care of the overflow group.

### Cooperative School Districts

The crowded conditions suggested in the preceding paragraph emphasize the need for new construction. In this connection, it would be well, I believe, for

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Meredith to consider the implications of the new co-operative school district law, passed in 1947, which makes it permissible for two or more districts to join together and pool their resources to maintain schools. Several sections of the state are considering this matter seriously, especially with reference to high schools. It is said that a good variety and quality of high school education cannot be provided at a reasonable cost in school of less than 300 or 400 pupils. There are many high schools in the state today that are smaller than this minimum. People are giving serious thought to the establishment of larger schools by joining two or more small ones into one unit.

According to the new law, each district that wishes to join such a cooperative enterprise needs to approve this action by a vote at a district meeting. Many school districts are including in this year's warrant an article to authorize the school board or a special committee to make a study of this problem and bring in recommendations at a future meeting. The advantages and disadvantages of such a plan must be carefully studied with reference to each individual district before any definite action is taken.

One result of such a plan for Meredith would be the more equitable distribution of costs. Under the present law a school district which sends pupils here to high school is required to pay only the cost of instruction and no contribution toward the original cost of a building nor of the maintenance or administration of it may be charged as a tuition expense. Every high school which accepts tuition pupils receives as tuition about two-thirds of what it actually costs per pupil to build and maintain the school and provide the expense of instruction. Under the new plan, all costs would be equitably borne by cooperating districts.

### Music Education

Our music supervisor, Donald Musgrove, has been given an increased time allotment this year, (four days per week instead of two). This permits him to carry

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on various instrumental classes on both elementary and high school level, as well as to place a greater emphasis on basic music instruction and drill with choral groups. The problem of a suitable place for this work has been partially solved by assigning a number of beginners' classes on clarinet, saxophone, trumpet and drums to meet in the superintendent's office on days when no classroom is available.

### **Shortage of Teachers**

The supply of teachers, especially in the elementary grades, is still far from meeting the demand throughout the state. Less than 40 are graduating next June from our teachers' colleges with work in this field and the demand in September will call for at least five or six times that many. We must continue to depend for several years upon people who formerly taught and who are willing to go back into this work and we must try to interest more young people to enter the profession of teaching. Organizations such as parent-teacher associations and women's clubs can assist by sponsoring programs which will help to interest young women, as well as young men, in this profession. It will be several years before the supply can possibly meet the demand in this important field of service.

### **Automobile Driver Training**

About three-fourths of our young people will be driving automobiles within the next ten years and Meredith high school is among the first of the schools in the state to provide a course of instruction, including actual behind-the-wheel driving, using a car with dual controls. There are 22 students at Meredith now taking the course. Because not all this work can be done during the school day, the learners are practising after school and on Saturdays. This is a very popular course and intensely practical.

Respectfully submitted,

Almon W. Bushnell  
Superintendent of Schools

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### REPORT of HEADMASTER of the HIGH SCHOOL

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I present herewith my second annual report as Headmaster of Meredith High School for the year ending December 31, 1947.

#### School Program Presents Many Challenges

Perhaps it is difficult or even impossible to gain a true or valid impression of the educational program for which the school exists. The effectiveness of any school program depends primarily upon the classroom teacher, the curricula and material with which he works. In spite of the many difficulties of the last few years, Meredith as a whole has had the services of teachers who are alert to change in education and compare favorably with teachers throughout the state. There is no attitude that "we are perfect; we have arrived and, consequently, there can be no further improvement." The teacher as a whole holds a philosophy that Meredith schools must go ahead and that not to do so is to retrogress.

As to the effectiveness of the teaching and learning program going on in the classrooms, only subjective judgment can be given concerning such intangibles as habits, attitudes and ideals. Achievement in subject matter, however, is reasonable and specific test results show that Meredith pupils are, on the average, in some cases from half a year to more than a year in advance of the achievement of pupils in these grades throughout the country generally. This is one evidence of the quality of the teaching staff.

Individual ability capacities and basic interests of children vary greatly. This is true in all schools and all school systems. The problem attending these differences imposes grave psychological as well as instructional responsibilities on the educational staff.

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It seems to me that the challenge has been accepted by the Meredith teachers. The solution of the problem of a single individual child often requires the combined study of parents, superintendent and teacher. Many problems are quickly solved, then some seem to defy solution. In any case the Meredith teachers are working faithfully to give their pupils every opportunity to succeed.

### Curriculum Plan

The curriculum at Meredith High School has been designed to give each pupil the opportunity to secure those subjects which best suits his needs; and yet, at the same time insure for all pupils that common educational background and experience which makes for intelligent and useful citizenship in a democratic society.

The common background of learning which constitutes the core of the curriculum requires the pupil to devote varying amounts of time to study in the following fields: English, Social Studies, Mathematics, Science and Physical Education. The specific subjects required of each pupil in each year are clearly shown in the Program of Studies Outline.

All pupils in grades 7 and 8 will follow the program as outlined.

It has been made broad enough to give the pupil the adequate background for the subjects he will pursue later in grades 9 - 12. Certain of the offerings are exploratory in nature, and as such will serve to discover individual pupil interests and aptitudes.

From the Electives listed under each year of the last four years the pupil will select **under guidance** the necessary number of courses to complete his program and which fit in the future educational and vocational plans. While it is true that the greater flexibility of this curriculum arrangement offers the individual freedom in the choice of electives, it is equally true that it will require him to exercise considerably

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more care and judgment in the selection of these electives if they are to contribute effectively to his intended goal. Under no circumstances should the choice of a particular subject be chosen because it is to be taken by one's friend, nor should the choice of a particular subject be left to chance.

Rather, the choice should be made in keeping with a plan of action which has been previously worked out with consideration and care by the pupil and his parent. The fundamental needs of the pupil preparing for college are quite different from those of the one who plans to terminate his education with graduation from high school. The former will want to take those subjects which are required for admission to the college of his choice; while the latter will want to take those subjects that have to some extent immediate value for him and yet, at the same time, will prepare him for whatever activity of a vocational nature he may engage in after leaving school.

The members of the faculty and the Headmaster will be pleased to confer with the pupil and his parents about the intended program and to assist in laying out a course of study that will insure the maximum return for the individual in keeping with his interests, abilities and needs.

Under the core-curriculum plan it is especially important that the pupils in Grade 8 and parents meet with the Headmaster to work out together a tentative four year course of study for him which will insure the proper selection of subjects in keeping with the pupil's educational and vocational goal.

Stenography and typing were added to the curriculum this year. A total of 19 students (18 girls and 1 boy) are taking the new course. Due to the fact that our equipment is limited to ten typewriters at present, seniors were given first choice and there are 14 enrolled in the class. The other 5 students are juniors.

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The main value that seniors will get from one year of stenography and typing is a knowledge which they may apply for personal use, unless they desire to go to business college for further training. Next year a second-year course called Office Practice will be offered. Students who have had two years of shorthand and typing will be able to go directly into office work upon graduation from high school.

If the enrollment for typing next year is more than ten (and all indications are that it will be) then it will be necessary to buy additional typewriters.

At present we are soliciting the cooperation of local businessmen in order to set up a cooperative part-time work program for seniors taking this vocational course. Present plans for this year are to have each senior spend three consecutive afternoons getting actual business experience in offices where the businessmen signify their desire to cooperate with the schools in this way.

## Physical Education

One of the cardinal principles of education is the worthy use of leisure time. Through invention of labor saving devices, and labor legislation regulating working hours we are coming to have more and more leisure time. One of our most vital needs is proper training for the worthy use of this time. Our physical directors are teaching sports and games that are likely to be followed after the pupils have been graduated from high school. Experience in these sports will provide a valuable means of recreation in late years.

The second cardinal objective is health. Many physical deficiencies may be minimized or eliminated through regular forms of exercise and instruction in the maintenance of health. Our program has been arranged to provide such exercise and instruction to all pupils of the school for four periods per week.

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Equally important is the fact that participation in sports turns out youngsters who are unselfish, cooperative, and loyal citizens.

Full participation in the physical education classes makes it essential that every boy and girl be equipped properly with sneakers and gym suits and that towels be provided that a shower may be taken after each class to prevent the catching of colds. All parents are urged to see that high school pupils coming from their homes are properly equipped in this respect.

### **Conclusion:**

The teachers and pupils of Meredith High School join me in appreciation of your constant support, your enthusiastic interest in our activities and the generosity you display when we call upon you, collectively and individually, for assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

**Frederick J. Delaney  
Headmaster**

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### Graduating Class — 1947

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Randell T. Ackerman	Norma Beverly Knowles
Richard I. Avery	Jay W. Malouin
*Charlotte E. Batchelder	*David Nelson Nystedt
Robert B. Buckley	*Martha M. Nystedt
Irene Gertrude Clark	*Virginia E. Perkins
Kenneth Lloyd Cowing	*Beverly Ann Pottle
*Thelma Mary Ferrin	Marion A. Saunders
**Donald C. Gibson	Jean B. Stecher
Harry J. Holland	*Norma Vittum
*Alpheus F. Hutchins, Jr.	**Arthur A. Weeks
Marjorie Arlene Hutchins	*Jane Willoughby
*Honors	
**Veterans	

### — PRIZES —

The following prizes were announced or presented to the recipients at the graduation exercises:

Mary Blaisdell Improvement Award	Harry Holland '47
The Baush and Lomb Science Award	Beverly Pottle '47
The Balfour Plaque and Key Award	Beverly Pottle '47
The Becker Business College Award	Norma Vittum '47
The Harry Blackey Award	Jane Willoughby '47
Huntress All Round Achievement Cup	David Nystedt '47

Alumni Cup	Kenneth Cowing '47
American Legion Citizenship Prize	Martha Nystedt '47
American Legion Post No. 33 Award	Thelma Ferrin '47
Readers Digest Award	Beverly Pottle '47
Legion Auxiliary Award, Grade 8	Diane Mooney '51
Roger H. Wyatt Memorial	Jean Stecher '47

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# Vital Statistics

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Date of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	No. of Children in Family	Sex	Father's Name	Mother's Name	Maiden Name	Parents	Residence of	Occupation of	Birthplace of	Birthplace of	Birthplace of
Jan. 10, 1947	Stephen Dana	M L 3	W	Dana Perkins Peabody	Lorraine L.	Manchester	Cook	Danvers, Mass.	Fall River, Ms	Ashland, N.H.	SunB'n'Tn, N.H.	Fall River, Ms
Jan. 14, 1947	Nels'n Thomas,Jr.	M L 1	W	Nelson Thomas Currin	Marilyn Alberto Reid	Reid	Apprentice	Oxford, N.C.	Bristol, N.H.	Farmington, N.H.	Lakeport, N.C.	Bristol, N.H.
Jan. 18, 1947	Janet Marilyn	F L 3	W	Lawton Albert Niles	Dorothy Louise Hackett	Hackett	Machinist	Meredith, N.H.	Lakeport, N.H.	Laconia, N.H.	Uxbridge, Ms	Meredith, N.H.
Jan. 29, 1947	Nancy Lee	F F L 2	W	Robert Edmund Wyatt	Irene Alice Manex	Manex	Truck Driver	Dunbr't'n, N.H.	Laconia, N.H.	Laconia, N.H.	Laconia, N.H.	Dunbr't'n, N.H.
Feb. 5, 1947	Marylyn Jane	F F L 2	W	Joseph Michael Jelcz,r	Jennie Mary Lisowski	Lisowski	Carpenter	N. M'k't, N.H.	Amesbury, Mass.	Amesbury, Mass.	Coaticook, Can.	N. M'k't, N.H.
Feb. 10, 1947	Erwd Francis,Jr.	M L 1	W	Edward Francis Lutz	Evelyn Cass	Cass	Mill Worker	Belmont, N.H.	Belmont, N.H.	Belmont, N.H.	W. R. xBy, Ms	Belmont, N.H.
Feb. 27, 1946	Robert Kitchel	M L	W	Alexander Lincoln, Jr.	Elizabeth Kitchel	Kitchel	Farmer	SinB'n'Tn, N.H.	Ashland, N.H.	W. R. xBy, Ms	W. R. xBy, Ms	W. R. xBy, Ms
Feb. 7, 1947	Gale Irene	F L 2	W	Roland Hugo Palm	Evelyn Belle Harvey	Harvey	Clerk	Lakeport, N.H.	Farmington, N.H.	Farmington, N.H.	Lakeport, N.H.	Farmington, N.H.
Feb. 26, 1947	Joey Russell	M L 1	W	Russell Earle Shaw	Margaret Irene Horne	Horne	Teller	Uxbridge, Ms	Brattleboro, N.H.	Uxbridge, Ms	Uxbridge, Ms	Brattleboro, N.H.
Feb. 27, 1947	Don'd Scrib'r,Jr.	M L 1	W	Donald Scribner Lance	Ann Helen Lane	Lane	Proprietor	Meredith, N.H.	Laconia, N.H.	Laconia, N.H.	Laconia, N.H.	Meredith, N.H.
Feb. 28, 1947	Barbara Kathleen	F F L 2	W	Kenneth Clough Colby	Harriet Eliz'beth Hanson	Hanson	Truck Driver	W. R. v, Vt.	Brattleboro, N.H.	Brattleboro, N.H.	Brattleboro, N.H.	Brattleboro, N.H.
Mar. 1, 1947	Richard Belmar	M L 2	W	Delmar Chase Miller	Heilen Elaine Mooney	Mooney	Laborer	Wentw'th, N.H.	Wentw'th, N.H.	Wentw'th, N.H.	Wentw'th, N.H.	Wentw'th, N.H.
Mar. 3, 1947	Leslie Ellen	F F L 2	W	Sylvester Charles Weeks	Anna-Mae S. Jenness	Jenness	Marker	Meredit,h, N.H.	Laconia, N.H.	Laconia, N.H.	Laconia, N.H.	Meredit,h, N.H.
Mar. 11, 1947	Baby Girl	F S 4	W	Armand Leontine Leroux	Harriet Louise Harvey	Harvey	Barker	W. N. W'st'k, N.H.	Violet Emma LaReau	Violet Emma LaReau	Violet Emma LaReau	W. N. W'st'k, N.H.
Mar. 17, 1947	William Peter	M L 2	W	Jesse Parker Allen	Parker Allen	Allen	Soldier	W. W'f'ry, Vt.	Beatrice Irene Martin	Beatrice Irene Martin	Beatrice Irene Martin	W. W'f'ry, Vt.
Apr. 13, 1947	Richard James	M L 3	W	Bruce Jack Locke	Richard Bowdlear Wein	Wein	Ass't.	W. R. xBy, Ms	Helen Pearl Stranahan	Helen Pearl Stranahan	Helen Pearl Stranahan	W. R. xBy, Ms
Apr. 21, 1947	Dana Allen	M L 1	W	Richard Charles Walsh	Edward Charles Walsh	Walsh	Treasur	W. R. xBy, Ms	Helen Katherine Weeks	Helen Katherine Weeks	Helen Katherine Weeks	W. R. xBy, Ms

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Date of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	Sex	No. of Children in Family	Father's Name	Mother's Name	Maiden Name	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Residence of Mother	Birthplace of Mother
Aug. 16, 1947	Carolyn Pearl	W	2	Leslie Haddock	Lillian May Dodge			Chopper	Meredith, N.H.	McMullro, N.H.	McMullro, N.H.
Aug. 16, 1947	Gerald George	W	2	Geo. Bradford Dickinson	Dorothy Durgin Avery			Truck Driver	Meredith, N.H.	Campion, N.H.	Campion, N.H.
Aug. 20, 1947	Kenneth Herbert	W	4	John Kenneth Herbert	Christine Hope Avery			Chopper	Meredith, N.H.	Wolfeboro, N.H.	Wolfeboro, N.H.
Aug. 20, 1947	John Kenneth	W	6	John Kenneth Amsden	Gloria Estelle Morton			Mechanic	Meredith, N.H.	Soldan's, Vt.	Soldan's, Vt.
Aug. 31, 1947	Lorraine Agnes	W	1	John Roland Weeks	Alice Virginia Smith			Live Bait	Bush Warren, N.H.	Ashland, N.H.	Ashland, N.H.
Sept. 1, 1947	John Roland	W	1	John Wellington Leavitt	Theresa Emma J. Cote			Truck Driver	Southfield, N.H.	Southfield, N.H.	Southfield, N.H.
Sept. 1, 1947	Judy Ellen	W	1	Selden Earle Beebe	Ida Evelyn Brown			Garage Owner	Southbury, N.H.	Southbury, N.H.	Southbury, N.H.
Sept. 8, 1947	Timothy Earle	W	1	Philip Roy Ellsworth	Elvira Amelia Nudd			Board Sawyer	Mark's, N.H.	Syndwich, N.H.	Syndwich, N.H.
Sept. 20, 1947	James Bolton	W	4	E. Pickering	Robert P. Valliere			Gas Station	Mark's, N.H.	Philia, Pa.	Philia, Pa.
Sept. 23, 1947	James Bolton	W	5	Harold Lewis Copp	Doris Mercer Bolton			Lumberman	Meredith, N.H.	Warren, N.H.	Warren, N.H.
Sept. 25, 1947	Thomas George	W	5	Everett Bryburn Moore	Rose Hazel Spooner			Clergyman	Warren, N.H.	New Haven, Ct.	New Haven, Ct.
Oct. 11, 1947	James Edward	W	1	Dennis Wilbur Gilman	Viola Joy Friedmann			Carpenter	C. Seward, N.H.	New York, N.Y.	New York, N.Y.
Oct. 11, 1947	Denise Mae	W	1	Robert Ashley Bragg	Corinne Mae Plummer			Teacher	Augusta, Me.	Hibriton, N.H.	Hibriton, N.H.
Oct. 15, 1947	Lawrence Russell	W	2	Charles Frank Jeremy	Rosamond Mae Wood			Truck Driver	Belmont, N.H.	Winslow, Me.	Winslow, Me.
Oct. 17, 1947	Charles Frank, Jr.	W	2	Richard Linke Beebe	Elizabeth Barbara Lutz			Proprietor	Worester, N.H.	Belmont, N.H.	Belmont, N.H.
Oct. 28, 1947	Beverly Ann	W	1	Olin Fred Rollins	Ariene Marion Moulton			Truck Driver	Mrs. Laconia, N.H.	Laconia, N.H.	Laconia, N.H.
Oct. 25, 1947	Susan Barbara	W	6	Raymond Sirles	Mamie Althia Jennes			Laborer	Whitfield, N.H.	Meredith, N.H.	Meredith, N.H.
Nov. 8, 1947	Linda Althea	W	3	Wm. Hollsworth Shannon	Virginia Nora Keenan			Accountant	Oreleans, Vt.	Ashland, N.H.	Ashland, N.H.
Nov. 9, 1947	Gregory Joseph	W	3	Leander Giles Pynn, Jr.	Roxbury, Mass.			Dealer	Pawtucket, R.I.	Roxbury, Mass.	Roxbury, Mass.
Nov. 10, 1947	Barry Gilbert	W	3		Ruth Bennett				Meredith, N.H.	Natliek, N.H.	Natliek, N.H.

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Date of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name	Residence of Parents		Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
				No. of Children LIV.	Sex or Co. or Fr.			
Nov. 10, 1947	Robert Carpenter	Donald Avis	Margara L'an' Carpenter	Donald	L 5 W	Carpenter	Moultonboro	E. D'glas, Mrs
Nov. 10, 1947	Merten Wilbur	Merton Wilbur Chase	Margaret Abby Watson	Merten	L 1 W	Machinist	Mr. dith Cr. N. H.	H. Littleton, N. H.
Nov. 15, 1947	Donald Edward	Cecil Wilfred Smith	Dolores Lovina Welch	Donald	L 2 W	Electrician	Likeport, N. H.	W. Trsh'm, Vt.
Nov. 18, 1947	Donna Mae	Philip Raye Blackey	Virginia Alada Duncklee	Donna	L 3 W	Proprietor	Sandw'ch, N. H.	Hold ness, N.H.
Nov. 19, 1947	Frank William	Almon Co'per MacDanald	Ruth June Kimball	Frank	L 1 W	Realtor	Meredith, N.H.	Meredith, N.H.
Nov. 30, 1947	Steven John	Charles Thorndike	Laura Irene Broren	Almon	L 1 W	Poultry	Br'nt'ge, Mass	Jam Pl'n, Miss
Nov. 18, 1947	Townsend Davis		Barbara Annalee Davis	Charles	L 2 W	F'ree	Boston, Mass.	Concord, N. H.

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## MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF MEREDITH, N. H., FOR THE YEAR END

DECEMBER 31, 1947

Date of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of Each at Time of Marriage	Age at Marriage	Years of Marriage	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth	Name of Parents	Times Married	Birthplace of Parents	Name and Residence of persons by whom Married
										No.
Oct. 28	Ernest Walter Clapper	Meredith	38	W	Caretaker	No. Woodstock	Nelson Clapper	1	Vermont Mass.	Rev. Robert E. Fuller Clergyman, Plymouth,
	Winnifred Mina Mosher	Rumney, N. H.	51	W	Laborer	No. Woodstock	Susan Stone	2	Woodstock Mass.	
Dec. 15	Wilbur Henry Lamprey	Meredith	21	W	Truck Dri	McAvin Village	Rausom F. Smith	1	Woodstock	
		Sandwich, N. H.	21	W	At Home	Sandwich	Carrie Stone	1	Woodstock	
Jan. 18	Lillian Elizabeth Gilman	Plymouth, N. H.	35	W	Truck Dri	Ashland	W. J. Lamprey	1	Woodstock	
	Roy Harold Brown	Meredith	36	W	At Home	Littleton	Frances Harriman	1	Woodstock	
	Bernice Delphia Milliken	Meredith	20	W	Lumbering	Meredith	Wilbur J. Gilman	1	Woodstock	
Jan. 26	Edward George Greemore	Meredith	16	W	At Home	St. Johnsbury, Vt.	Leona May Brown	1	Woodstock	
	Lorraine Velma Wilkins	Dalton, N. H.	24	W	Milk Hand	Lunenburg, Vt.	Earl S. Brown	1	Woodstock	
Feb. 15	Richard Lawrence Belmore	Meredith	22	W	Nurse	Colebrook,	Eliza J. Elliott	1	Woodstock	
	Julia Frances Martin						Homer Eryou	2	Woodstock	
							Hattie Therrien	1	Woodstock	
							Henry Greenmore	1	Woodstock	
							Serena J. Wells	1	Woodstock	
							Laurence Wilkin-	1	Woodstock	
							Hazel Danforth	1	Woodstock	
							Charles Belmont	1	Woodstock	
							Emily Phorte	1	Woodstock	
							Alfred Martin	1	Woodstock	
							Jane Smith	1	Woodstock	

Rev. Robert J. Richard  
Roman Cath. Priest  
Meredith, N. H.

Rev. Keith F. Bryar  
Ordained Minister  
Ctr. Sandwich, N. H.

Rev. Joseph Stopford  
Minister  
Plymouth, N. H.

Rev. Everett B. Moore  
Gospel Minister  
Meredith, N. H.

Mar. 1	Wellington Leavitt Goss	Meredith	Elmer John Goss	Bridgewater	Guy U. Horne Justice of the Peace
	Teresa Jeannette Cote	Meredith	Blanche Howe	Sanbornton	Meredith, N. H.
Mar. 10	Walter Percy Hoyt	Meredith	Arthur Cote	Pittsfield	Robert V. Johnson Justice of the Peace
	Elinor Elizabeth Wakefield	Moultonboro	Elina Chagnon	Moultonboro	Laconia, N. H.
Mar. 29	Clifford Victor Clark	Laconia, N. H.	RAY H. Hoyt	N. Bedford, M.	Frank P. Fletcher Clergyman
	Helen Kelley Bronson	Meredith	FRANCES Staniford	Moultonboro	Laconia, N. H.
Mar. 30	Aaron Clark Smith	Meredith	Fred A. Bourge	Benton	Frank P. Fletcher Clergyman
	Geraldine B. Smith	Meredith	Esphira E. Garland	Iowa	Laconia, N. H.
Mar. 26	George Frederick Chandler	New Hampton	Victor E. Clark	Merideth	A. Norman James Congregational Minstr.
	Arlene Marjorie Anair	Meredith	Ruth M. Wheeler	Brooklyn, N.Y.	Irene, N. H.
Apr. 5	Aaron Stein	Worcester, Ma	William A. Kelley	Brooklyn, N.Y.	Rev. Everett B. Moore Farpist Minister
	Mary A. Morris	N.Uxbridge, M.	Ida May Evans	St. Jnsbury	Alfredith, N. H.
Apr. 19	Cecil Frank Smith	Meredith	Nathan C. Smith	Sanbornton	Alexandria
	Dolores Lovina Bowley	W. Worcester	Blanche E. Clark	Alexandria	No. Sandwich
Apr. 19	Olin Fred Rollins	At Home	John W. Bryant	Cambridge, M.	Cambridge, M.
	Barbara Hila Nedea	Electrician	Madeline Robinson	Milan	Rev. Everett B. Moore
Apr. 22	Albert O. Berry	Merchant	George Chandler	Randolph	Rev. Everett B. Moore
	Mary E. Irvine	At Home	Clara J. Watson	Milan	Rev. Everett B. Moore
June 4	Leland Henry Grant	W. Worcester	Ervin J. Anair	St. Jnsbury	Alfredith, N. H.
	Edith Samborn Caverly	At Home	Hilda Jacob Stein	Kenneb'pt, I.	Alexandria
June 16	Toivo Reno Aho	Trucking	Gertrude Stein	Germany	Rev. C. Austin Earle
	Maynard, Mass.	At Home	Mary L. Moran	Pontiac, R. I.	Congregational Minstr.
	Maynard, Mass.	Finisher	Albert Morris	Blackst'ne, M.	Laconia, N. H.
	Mervin Villige	At home	William Smith	Gilmanton	Rev. John A. Morrison
		W. Tuftonboro	Leona Johnson	Laconia	Clergyman
		Trucking	William M. Walker	Groton, Vt.	Rev. John A. Morrison
		At Home	Rita E. Thurston	Woodstock	Clergyman
		At Home	Frank Wyatt	Orford	Rev. Fred W. Fitzpatrick
		Electrician	Myrtle Rollins	Meredith	Farrist Minister
		At Home	Arthur C. Nedea	St. Armand, C.	Belmont, N. H.
		Merchant	Hilla E. Roberts	Ctr. Stratford	Rev. Pierre Villejuinier
		At Home	Albert O. Berry	Lovell, Me.	Concertinal Minister
		At Home	Edith Whitchouse	Ex-stport, Me.	Laconia, N. H.
		At Home	William R. Irving	New Brunswi	Edward A. Lewis
		At Home	Loretta Maloney	Sandwich	ordained Clergyman
		At Home	Frank H. Grant	Tuftonboro	Tuftonboro
		At Home	Hallie B. Abbott	Finland	ordained Clergyman
		At Home	Charles Caverly	Finland	Tuftonboro
		At Home	Mary E. Sanborn	Finland	ordained Clergyman
		At Home	Andreas Aho	Finland	Tuftonboro
		At Home	Lilly Nevada	Finland	ordained Clergyman
		At Home	Guy U. Horne	Finland	Tuftonboro
		At Home	Theodora Ojanen	Finland	ordained Clergyman

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MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF MEREDITH, N. H., FOR THE YEAR END December 31, 1947

Date of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of marriage	Age in Years	Color of Hair and Eyes	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth	Name of Parents	No. Times Married	Name and Residence of persons by whom Married	
									Birthplace of Parents	Birthplace of
Aug. 2	Urban Fleury	Bristol, N. H.	21	W	Plumber	Bristol, N. H.	Arthur Fleury	1	Canada	Rev. George Chicoine Catholic Priest Laconia, N. H.
	Madeline Belle Isle	Laconia, N. H.	22	W	Needle W.	Laconia, N. H.	Mary Saucier	1	Canada	
July 4	Shirley Edwin Humiston	Etna, N. H.	25	W	Student	Etna, N. H.	Jean Belle Isle Maria Michaud John E. Humiston Ruth Holden Leon Fisher	1	Canada	
	Kathleen Isabel Fisher	Montreal, Can.	23	W	Dental Hy.	Duxbury, Mass.	Jackman, Me. Lawelltown, I. Newton, Mass. Duxbury, Mass. Somerville, Mass. Sionsville, Ic.	1	Canada	
July 12	Charles Fremont Shirley	Duxbury, Mass.	30	W	Electrician	John N. Shirley	Clara Glover Helen Gunn William C. Lloyd Nella Eaton	1	Canada	
	Mary Louise Lloyd	Ashland, N. H.	26	W	Teacher	Meredith	Meredith	1	Canada	
July 26	Raymond A. Harvey	Plymouth, N. H.	36	W	Sawyer	Plymouth, N. H.	Wyman Harvey Lucy C. Bryant Elmer M. Davis	2	Canada	
	Evelyn F. Monty	Plymouth, N. H.	31	W	Trresser	Meredith	Meredith	3	Canada	
Aug. 16	Arthur F. Pottle Jr.	Meriden	25	W	Teacher	Meredith	Arthur F. Pottle	1	New Brit'p', Hungary	
	Edith A. Radnoti	Lauda, German	28	W	At Home	Kispest, Germa	John Rodnodi	2	Hungary	
Aug. 16	Hollister K. Olmsted	Boston, Mass.	45	W	Physician	Boston, Mass.	Harry Olmsted	2	Westport, Mass.	
	Mary H. Manter	Boston, Mass.	43	W	Secretary	Plymouth, Mass.	Esther L. Cartiss Joseph L. Manter Annie E. Wallace	1	Plymouth, Boston, Mass.	

Aug. 29	Charles Newell Campbell	Camb. Mass.	70	W	Buyer	Boston, Mass.	Newell Campbell	2	Newe York	C. Rev. Paul A. Nystedt
	Leda Baudette	Camb. Mass.	57	W	Style c'n's Michigan	Loella A. Sweett	Lewiston, Me.	1	Ordained Clergyman	
Sept. 5	Edward Bosson Sawyer	Meredith	26	W	Cab maker	Wm. Beaudette	Robert Henry Holmes	2	Meredith, N. H.	
	Edith Marolyn Stackpole	Meredith	21	W	At Home	Ruth Bosson	Lakept., N.H.		Ordained Minister	
Sept. 8	Richard Sumner Merrill	Meredith	19	W	Ply'mb hiph	Arthur Stackpole	Newton, Mass.		Laconia, N. H.	
	Marjorie Irene Hutchins	Meredith	18	W	Clerk	Constance Desmette	Malden, Mass.		Center Harbor	
Sept. 21	Olin Austin Drake	New Hampton	24	W	Lumberman	Arthur G. Merrill	New York City		Laconia	
	Hattie Mae Ingram	Meredith Ctr.	19	W	At Home	Lorena Peaslee	Laconia		Richard Roman C'th'lie Priest	
	Sept. 7 Hugh Gerard Berquist	Meredith	50	W	Merchant	Norris Hutchins	Meredith		Meredith, N. H.	
	Edna Alice Smith	Gilford, N. H.	40	W	At Home	Mildred Harvey	Rumney			
Nov. 22	Harold Herbert Sargent, Jr.	Meredith	19	W	Lumbering	Luther Drake	Milford R. Foshay			
	Thelma Louise Neill	Meredith	21	W	At Home	Minnie Boynton	Gospel Minister			
	Nov. 22 Bertram Holmes Neill	Meredith	23	W	Tirk driv'r	Spain B. Ingram	New Hampton			
	Lorraine Alphyn Sargent	Meredith	16	W	At Home	Emily F. Baker	So. Carolina			
	Nov. 29 Tristram C. Jacobs, Jr.	Meredith	23	W	Sta. helper	John A. Berquist	Lynn, Mass.			
	Doris I. Lugliani	Meredith	21	W	Secretary	Natalie Bromberg	Sweden			
Oct. 25	Abraham Benjamin Corliss	Meredith, N. H.	26	W	Farmer	Samuel W. Smith	Meredith			
	Myrtle Emma Page	Laconia, N. H.	4	W	Shop w'ker	Winnifred A. Page	Gilmanton			
Dec. 7	William Rudolph Neill	Meredith	19	W	Laborer	Harold H. Sargent	Hill			
	Doris Hazel Wilkins	Laconia, N. H.	13	W	At Home	Agnes G. Dodge	Meredith			
						Lucinda H. Haddock	Littleton			
						William R. Neill	Ossipee			
						Lucinda H. Haddock	Ossipee, N.H.			
						Harold H. Sargent	Hill			
						Grace A. Dodge	Meredith			
						Tristram Jacobs	Newfield, Me.			
						Mildred Edison	Boston, Mass.			
						Peter Longiani	Albiano, Italy			
						Heilen Kelley	Miltonboro			
						Walter H. Corliss	Meredith			
						Susie M. Gerard	Lynn, Mass.			
						Harris L. Page	Holderness			
						Edna P. Sanborn	W. Plymouth			
						William I. Neill	Littleton			
						Lucinda H. Haddock	Ossipee			
						Waldo G. Wilkins	Vermont			
						Florabelle Bagley	Franklin, N.H.			

# VITAL STATISTICS

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF MEREDITH, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1947

Date of Death	Name	Age	Place of Birth	Occupation	Birthplace of Father		Birthplace of Mother		Name of Father	Name of Mother
					Years	Months	Days	Sex	Color	Color
Dec. 31 '46	John Minot Hall	78	Boston, Mass.	M W W retired	Charlestown	Mass.	Mass.	M	Alfred H. Hall	Margaret Sampson
Jan. 5 '47	Mary A. Shampanoy	89	Beth'l'm, N.H.	F W W	Franconia	N. H.	Easton, Pa.	F	Eben Eastman	Abigail Kendall
Jan. 30	Eva L. M. Clark	68	Warren, N.H.	F W M	Warren, N. H.	N. H.	Lakeport, N. H.	F	Ezra Marston	Sarah McKendrick
Feb. 2	Newell C. Prescott	89	Sandw'h, N.H.	M W M	Retired	N. H.	Sandwich	M	John M. Prescott	Mary A. Webster
Mar. 31	Harold Geo. Garland	62	Laconia, N.H.	M W W	Laconia	N. H.	Laconia	M	Edward L. Garland	Jane E. Leavitt
Mar. 3	Baby Girl Leroux	62	Leakept, N.H.	F W S	Leakept, N.H.	N.H.	Wentworth, N.H.	F	Armand Leroux	Harriet Harvey
Mar. 28	Marcia S.B. Gordon	88	10	Meredith	M W W	Housewife	Meredith	M	Daniel Bean	Sarah Chase
Mar. 30	George W. Page	60	11	Meredith	M W M	Housewife	Unknown	M	Edmund Page	Stella Bemis
Apr. 22	Mrs. Wyman Harvey	55	17	Ashland, N.H.	F W M	Housewife	Tamworth	F	George W. Bryant	Ella Mae Carr
May 16	Adrian N. Willows	69	0	Vermont	F W M	Merchant	Vermont	F	B. Frank Williams	Alice Birby
May 21	Wm. John Bellows	70	24	Merchant	F W M	Merchant	Nova Scotia	F	John Bellevue	Rose Mallot
May 26	Ira Frank Blaisdell	78	4	Char'Pt., Vt.	F W M	Laborer	Charlestown, Vt.	F	Henry J. Blaisdell	Clorenda Nye
May 29	George Harry Quimby	45	13	Sharon, Vt.	M W W	Retired	Gilford, N. H.	M	Horace B. Quimby	Elizabeth Bowker
June 17	Ellon French	77	7	Retired	M W M	Retired	Center Harbor	M	Catherine Jobin	Richard Perkins
May 24	Almon Julius Ricker	69	16	Canada	F W M	Laborer	Sweden	F	Unknown	Johann Sophia
June 10	George Wm. Vinal	78	6	Canada	F W M	Housewife	Sweden	F	Unknown	Unknown
June 26	Bertha Cecile Lewis	65	2	Jeffr'sn, N.H.	F W M	Housewife	Scotland	F	John Ricker	Edna Elia
June 30	Martha Melcher Beede	82	10	Lowell, Mass.	F W M	Retired	Lowell, Mass.	F	George H. Vinal	Rebecca Knight
June 10	Balv' Perkins	7	17	Irvington, Vt.	F W W	Retired	Coventry, Vt.	F	Clark Bailey	Clarendon, Nye
July 15	Anna Sophia Whitley	79	9	Gillford, N. H.	F W W	Housewife	Gillford, N. H.	M	Woodbury Melcher	Elizabeth Jobin
July 31	Dr. Florence Gilman	69	12	Gillford, N. H.	F W W	Housewife	Brunswick, Me.	F	Richard Perkins	Catherine Jobin
June 7	Kate Florence Davis	76	8	Meredith	F W W	Doctor, M.D.	Bethlehem	F	Johann Sophia	Unknown
Aug. 16	Petra V. Remick	63	21	Chicago, Ill.	F W W	Housewife	Sweden	F	Geo. Edw. Gilman	Unknown
June 2	Edward H. Lewis	65	3	Teacher	F W M	Teacher	Scotland	F	Colin C. McDougal	Christina Stuart
		8	28	New Hampshire	F W M	Teacher	New Hampshire	F	David A. Virtum	Unknown
		7	7	Norwich, Vt.	M W M	Agent	Norwich, Vt.	M	Ransom Lewis	Martha Howard

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Date of Death	Name	Age		Place of Birth	Occupation	Birthplace		Father	Mother	Name of Mother
		Years	Months Days			Days	Month			
July 26	Agnes Idella Cotton	87	1	So. Paris, Me.	F	W	W	Housewife	Unknown	Unknown
	Sadie E. French	63	7	Palmer, Mass.	F	W	W	Housewife	Oliver N. Dorsett	Unknown
Sept. 3	Henry R. McLane	60	0	Newbury, Vt.	M	W	M	Distr. Mgr.	John W. McLane	Arlie Willgby
Sept. 7	Lewis L. Partridge	72	0	Whifield, N.H.	M	W	M	Salesman	Unknown	Unknown
Sept. 7	Warren Belville	40	6	Stratford, Vt.	M	W	S	Inmate	George H. Eno	Mary Eno
Sept. 6	Mary Nutting Sanborn	85	1	Gilford, N.H.	F	W	W	Doctor	Emmons Brown	Belville
Sept. 30	Herbert Geo. Mack	86	1	Tamworth, N.H.	M	W	M	Farmer	George Mack	Esther Benson
Oct. 13	Donna Lee Sleeper	4	2	Laconia	F	W	S	Farmer	Raymond Sleeper	Lois Chase
Nov. 4	Lewis E. Ethridge	76	3	Sudwich, N.H.	M	W	M	Carpenter	Charles Ethridge	Margaret Beach
Nov. 6	Arthur J. Mead	82	7	Sandwich, N.H.	M	W	S	Farmer	Melinda Curtis	Eliz. B. Beach
Nov. 23	Grace Edith Kitching	61	6	not stated	F	W	M	Housewife	Joanna Jewett	Walter Bickford
Oct. 23	Olin Lester Philbrook	71	6	Lham're, N.H.	M	W	W	Lumberman	William S. Mead	Arlette Willgby
Sept. 23	Jennie M. Roberts	78	11	Alston, Mass.	F	W	M	Housewife	Jos. Messer	George H. Eno
Nov. 6	Ivanilla Estella Lund	76	3	Whitinsville, Mass.	F	W	M	Housewife	Lester Philbrook	Anna J. Johnson
Nov. 12	Amiyette L. Worthen	48	5	Wentworth, N.H.	F	W	M	Nurse	Massie Whitinsville	Maria Smith
Dec. 3	Edith Alice Swain	62	2	Sm'rtle, Mass.	F	W	M	Housewife	Ralph Leach	Belle G. Wells
Apr. 24	Edith Bryant Grant	58	6	Sanbornton, N.H.	F	W	M	Housewife	Monltonboro St. John, N. B.	Elizabeth Ketchum
			28	Meultonboro	F	W	M	Housewife	Herbert Horne	Carrie Martin
									Vermont	Jennie Bryant
									Moultonboro Ctr. Harbor, N.H.	Walter Bickford

I hereby certify that the foregoing returns are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

*Henry U. Horne*



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